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潜入調査の対象者・篠沢と、街で遭遇した史己。その場で珠里が妻を装ったことから夫婦として篠沢夫妻と温泉に行くことに。勝太も同行し調査はスタートするが…？

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「またまたご無沙汰になってしまいました。こ、こんな筈じゃ…！面目ないです！6巻はまったりな内容ですが、鉄仮面リキの表情がいつもよりついていて、描きながらなかなか新鮮でした。番外は挿みますが、7巻は色々な面で大きく変動させて、佳境に向かいたい所です。」

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〈いままでのお話〉

人の心の声が聞こえてしまう不思議な力を持つ珠里は、能力を活かし叔母・早穂の調査室、オフィス・Sで働いている。同僚は元彼の吏己や、珠里に想いを寄せる陽太。

吏己との辛い恋により恋愛恐怖症だった珠里だが、陽太の一途な愛情に心を開き、2人は恋人に。一方で吏己に対しては、共に事件を乗り越えるうち、同僚としての信頼が芽生える。

ある日、珠里の曾祖母・御神賀千歳から、御神賀の地への侵入者の調査と千歳の初恋の人探しの依頼を受けたオフィス・S。

事件は悲しい結末を迎えるが、心の故郷で千歳の想いに触れ、自分に向き合えた珠里。同時に、苦手な事にも向き合おうと心に決める。

そして、千歳から珠里の持つ能力を高めるという、御神賀家の秘儀を授けられ…？

♥くわしい物語は、
「Honey Bitter」①〜⑤巻
（発売中）でどうぞ!!

I JUST WANTED
TO KEEP
LOOKING AT YOUTA'S SMILE.
Honey Bitter
TN[1]: SIGN = THE NAME OF THE JAPANESE-STYLE HOTEL
TN[2]: RYOKAN = JAPANESE STYLE HOTEL
WE'RE AT A HOT SPRING RYOKAN[2] IN S PREFECTURE
HARADA, WE HAVE A RESERVATION
Welcome
BUT...
COME QUICKLY.
MR. AND MRS. HARADA HAVE ARRIVED
SOMEHOW I ENDED UP IN THIS SITUATION

HoneyBitter

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— IT GOES BACK TO A FEW DAYS AGO —
VROOM...
Having a hard time parking
VROOM...
WHY IS THERE A CAR IN THAT SPOT TODAY...?
WILL I HIT IT? CAN I MAKE IT...?
Office S
VROOM...
ENOUGH ALREADY...

GENTL
RTH

VROOM...
VROOM
VROOM...
SQUEAL
VR..
VROOM
SQUEAK
SPLAT
Whirr
AH
KEEP GOING.
IT'S STILL OKAY.
A BIT TO THE RIGHT.
A BIT MORE.
KEEP GOING
VROOM
VROO..

A BIT MORE
VROOM
OKAY, STOP!
I UNDERSTAND VERY WELL, THAT YOU WANT TO KILL ME.
There was only 5cm left.
TH-THAT'S NOT IT... IT WASN'T ON PURPOSE
I kinda panicked
THE GARAGE WALL MUST'VE BEEN SCRAPED.
EH, NO WAY.
VROOM
WHOA-AHH?!
That was close
OH... YOU SAID STOP.
HM...
HARADA-SAN?!
AH— I KNEW IT!
THIS IS SUCH A COINCI-

AH.
SHINO-ZAWA... SAN?!
—HELLO—
.....
OH? IS HE PANICKING A BIT?
HE MUST BE
SOMEONE HE WASN'T EXPECTING TO SEE HERE...?
WELL— YOU'RE GIVING OFF A DIFFERENT VIBE THAN USUAL!
YOU LOOK A LITTLE YOUNGER?
IS- IS THAT SO?
I'm like this on weekends
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
WELL, I HAVE SOME RELA-TIVES WHO LIVE AROUND HERE..
SO YEAH
EHH?!
HMM. IS THAT YOUR WIFE?
AH—... OH.. UH—
WILL THINGS GET COM-PLICATED IF I DENY IT...?
THANK YOU FOR TAKING CARE OF MY HUSBAND ♡
Not at all
I'M THE ONE WHO HAS BEEN TAKEN CARE OF...

I'M SURPRISED THATYOU HAVE SUCH A YOUNG AND BEAUTIFUL WIFE, HARADA-SAN~~

HA HA HA HO HO HO

No way

WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS TODAY?

HOW OLD DOES HE THINK WE ARE

OH, WE'RE PLANNING TO GO TO A FAMOUS ITALIAN RESTAURANT THAT'S AROUND HERE

THIS IS MY WIFE

OH, NICE TO MEET YOU

THANK YOU FOR TAKING CARE OF HIM

ARE YOU GOING TO AMINUSION, THE 3 STAR ITALIAN RESTAURANT?

YES THAT'S THE ONE

I BELIEVE IT'S OVER THERE.

OH, SO IT'S OVER THERE

※TARGET =THE TARGET OF THEIR INVESTIGATION

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NO WAY——!!
So lame!
YOU'RE THE WORST, NIJIHARA!!
Yes..
I'M SORRY..
The worst...
HMM——... BUT... WELL, WHO'D HAVE THOUGHT YOU'D BUMP INTO A TARGET THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE IN YOKOHAMA IN TOKYO...
So unlucky
NO... I WAS CARELESS.
I'M SORRY
File no. 252
Yokohama H.L
...WELL, NOW THAT IT'S COME TO THIS SHURI, YOU SHOULD READ THIS, TOO
I BET YOU WON'T HAVE A 2ND NEAR MISS
YES.
AH——... OH, SO THE INFILTRATION THAT YOU WERE DOING AT YOKOHAMA WAS THIS...
Yes
IT'S NOT REALLY DANGEROUS, SO IT WOULD BE GOOD PRACTICE.
I'M ALSO GOING TO SEND KATAISHI-SAN THERE, FOR SUPPORT...
BUT WE'RE HAVING A HARD TIME...
WELL, IT IS YOUR WEAK POINT, RIGHT? INTERACTING WITH PEOPLE
You're helpful when it comes to com-puters, but this isn't something you can...
NO...
WELL....
YEAH...

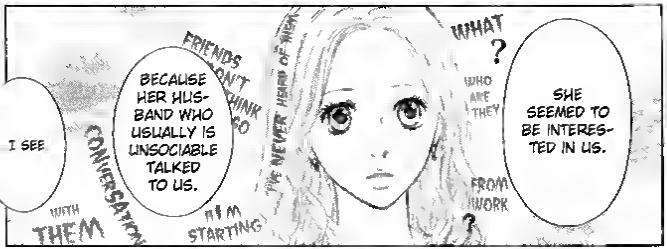
CLIENT
Chent H L Planning Inc Co
Director/CIO Toshio Saiga (55)
SUMMARY
File No. 252 概要
■Infiltrate to investigate an employee suspected of being a spy
(While working randomly)
■It's important to create a good relationship with "Shinozawa", be be friendly, but don't get too close
■For him to get close, Harada was made to have a similar image as the target——
TARGET
The Case's Target
Amane Shinozawa (27)
※ CIO = CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER
Alias for Investigation
Riku Harada (27)
"HOW PEOPLE AROUND HIM SEE SHINOZAWA"
"REALLY GOOD AT WORK (SECTION HEAD AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE)," "HE'S FRIENDLY BUT DISTANT," "DOESN'T OPEN UP," "MYSTERIOUS"?
THESE THINGS ARE THE SAME AS YOU EVEN WHEN YOU AREN'T TRYING
I SEE
THAT'S WHY IT'S A "MARRIED 27-YEAR-OLD" SET UP.
YES YES IT'S OKAY BECAUSE YOU LOOK OLDER
EVEN AFTER ALL THIS TIME, I STILL HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO FIND ANY CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE
Hmm...
I SEE.
WELL, I APPROACHED HIM LITTLE BY LITTLE... AND THEN HE STARTED TALKING TO ME, BUT
HE LOOKED LIKE HE TOOK A LIKING TO YOU..
BUT.. AREN'T YOU DOING A PRETTY GOOD JOB ALREADY?

I'll read it later
WELL, I'LL BE LEAVING CAUSE I HAVE SOME WORK TO DO—
YES. I GOT A GRASP OF IT!
"INVESTIGATION" HUH
IT'S A HARD JOB
SFX CLOSE

OPEN
I WONDER WHEN SHE'LL GIVE ME A JOB LIKE THAT

EEK?!
WAIT!
HEY!
GRAB

HER MIND WAS FILLED WITH THINGS ABOUT HER HUSBAND.
HIS WIFE'S JUMPED INTO MY HEAD...
HMM... WELL,
IT'S THAT... "SHINOZAWA" GUY. DIDN'T YOU READ HIS MIND?
... OH ...
WHAT?
...AND YOU GOT NOTHING


SHE SEEMED TO BE INTERESTED IN US.
WHAT?
WHO ARE THEY
FROM WORK?
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF HIM
FRIENDS DON'T THINK SO
BECAUSE HER HUSBAND WHO USUALLY IS UNSOCIABLE TALKED TO US.
I SEE
WITH THEM
CONVERSATION
I'M STARTING

AND THE TARGET?
THAT... I'M SORRY...
HE'S THE RARE TYPE.
"PEOPLE I CAN'T READ"

THE SAME TYPE AS YOU...
.....
I SEE .....
...SO USE-LESS
tsk
I SHOULDN'T HAVE HELPED YOU PARK
POKING AT PEOPLE'S SORE SPOTS
THIS
THIS GUY...
HE HASN'T CHANGED AT ALL...
SUCH A COLD SHADY OLD MAN LIKE HIM...
I SHOULD HAVE RAN HIM OVER.
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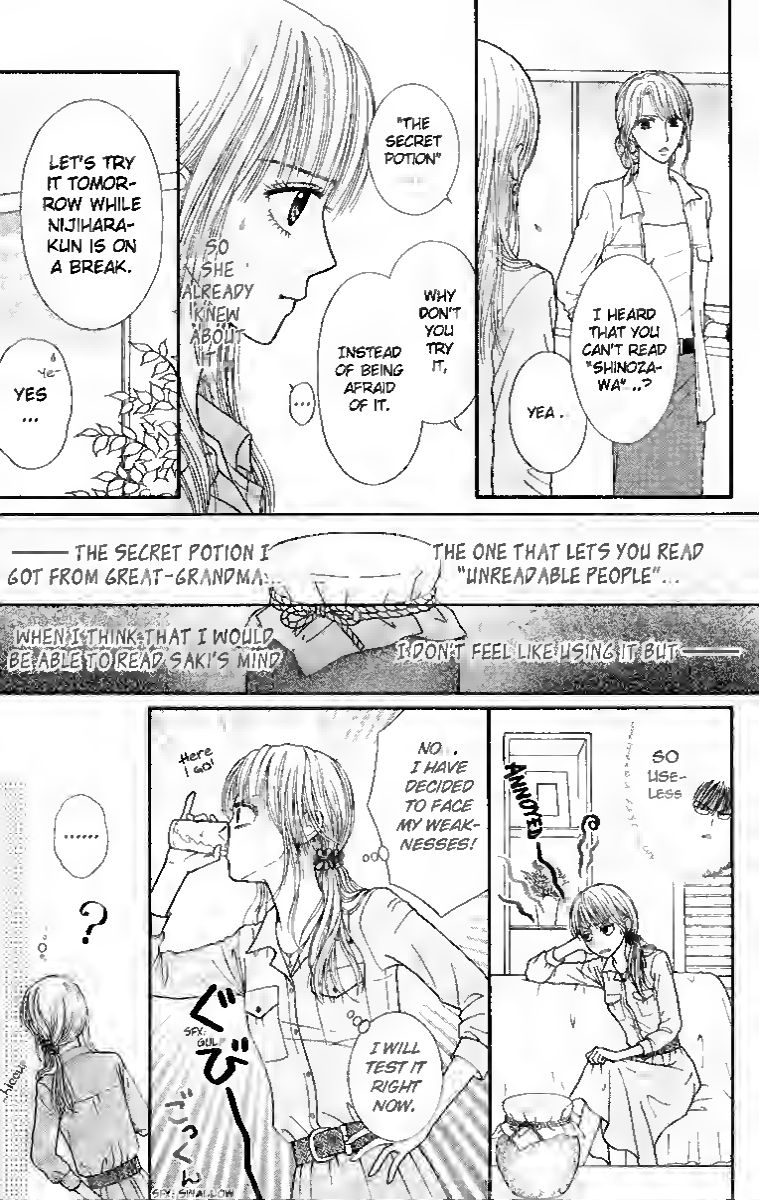
JEA~~~
~~~~~~~
~LOUSY~~
~~~~~~...
FLINCH?!
.....
ムオ～ン
BY DEADLY ATMOSPHERE
WHY ARE YOU TWO STARING INTO EACH OTHER'S EYES SO LOVINGLY ~~~~?
Let me join~
YOUTA!
What on earth were you looking at?!
WE'RE "GLARING" AT EACH OTHER! NOT "STARING LOVINGLY"!
WE WERE ABOUT TO KILL EACH OTHER!
GLARE AT ME TOO.. SHURI-RIN...
AND THEN SAY, "YOU PIG BASTARD" ♡
?! DON'T ASK ME TO DO SUCH A DIFFICULT (?) THING!
DON'T YELL IN THE HALL!
ARE YOU GUYS IN ELEMENTARY!?
SHURI, COME HERE


I HEARD THAT YOU CAN'T READ "SHINOZAWA"..?
YEA.
WHY DON'T YOU TRY IT, INSTEAD OF BEING AFRAID OF IT.
...
"THE SECRET POTION"
SO SHE ALREADY KNEW ABOUT IT!
LET'S TRY IT TOMORROW WHILE NIJIHARA-KUN IS ON A BREAK.
Ye-
YES...
——THE SECRET POTION I GOT FROM GREAT-GRANDMA...
THE ONE THAT LETS YOU READ "UNREADABLE PEOPLE"...
WHEN I THINK THAT I WOULD BE ABLE TO READ SAKI'S MIND
I DON'T FEEL LIKE USING IT BUT——
SO USE-LESS
ANNOYED——
NO. I HAVE DECIDED TO FACE MY WEAK-NESSES!
I WILL TEST IT RIGHT NOW.
Here I go!
SFX: GULP
SFX: GULP
.....
?
Meow

DING-DONG~
YE—S ...?
STUDIES
EHH?! SHURI-HAN?!
MNN—
I CAME TO SEE YOU.
Oh
UMM~ WHAT'S UP?
STOMP STOMP
YOU~ TA~ IT'S ME~
STOMP
VISITING MY PLACE FOR THE FIRST TIME SO SUD-DENLY~

UGH—
WAIT— GIMME 5. NO 3 MINUTES! WAIT THERE! I'M SORRY!!
CAN I COME IN?
HMM...
I WONDER WHAT I'M ALLOWED TO DO? TODAY...
Hehe...
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
CAN— I— COME IN—?
NO, NO~T YET~
YURI
AH— WHAT'S THIS... EXTREMELY INNOCENT LOOKING LOVE MANGA...
OH CRAP... I'M WEARING REALLY STUPID PANTS TODAY !!
GASP
There's a really idiotic slash on my butt—!!
BATTLE
※ It's a present from his brother ※
EH HH!
I'm coming in
IT'S BEEN 3 MINUTES ...
YOU... HEARD EVERY... THING..?!
AND THINKING ABOUT IT... YOU LOOK A LITTLE TIPSY ...?
If you were sorry... you wouldn't have come over!
WAIT
NOT THE ONE ON TOP ...
YOUR PANTS LOOK STUPID? THEY LOOK NORMAL TO ME ...?

SHE'S SO CUTE LIKE ALWAYS~..♡
AH
BUT I CAN ALWAYS HEAR YOU TA VERY WELL...
MIGHT NOT BE A BIG DIFFERENCE.
SHE PUT THE EARRINGS ON
I WON'T THINK OF STUPID THINGS
MMM... I CAN HEAR BETTER THAN USUAL... I THINK?
I SEE
Mmm—!
ISN'T IT BETTER TO TEST THIS ON "PEOPLE YOU CAN'T READ?"
SO CUTE
I WON'T THINK ABOUT IT
I WON'T THINK
IS SHE DRUNK?
Eh~ It's not alcohol~
He He He !
AHH... THE SECRET POTION THAT SEEMS TO BE 80% ALCOHOL
I just drank that secret potion ~~~ !!
IS THIS THE DEPTHS...?
?!
EW...
.....
AH—
SOMEHOW... WHEN I TOUCH.. THIS...
SHOULD I CALL HIM?
YOU CAN'T READ NIJIHARA-SAN, RIGHT?
! NIJIHARA-SAN IS...
I SEE...
THE MORROW
WILL RETURN TOMOR-ROW...
INFIL TRATION
...IN... YOKOHAMA ND...
SOUNDS SO— COOL
.....
SO WARM
HER HAND ♡

AHHH
GOD EMBARRASSING
BUSTED
SHE HEARD IT
OH NO
THAT IS THE "OTHER WAY" TO POWER UP...
OF COURSE I WANT IT
.. WELL... THAT IS ALSO..
.....
AHHH TODAY'S BOXERS
I AM READY TO DO IT ANY TIME OK
YOU... YOU'RE RIGHT!
ER IS IT ALRIGHT CAN I DO IT??
so any time OK
GREAT-GRANDMA'S PEARLS OF WISDOM
A BIT DIRTY
he he..
YOU SHOULD DO IT WITH THE ONE YOU LOVE BEFORE YOU GO ON A BIG JOB!
YOUR ABILITY WILL GET STRONGER THE MORE ACTIVE YOUR "SEX HORMONES" ARE
IT IS TRUE THAT... YOUTA AND I ARE LOVEY DOVEY AND
IF IT STRENGTHENS MY POWER, IT'D BE KILLING TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE
And the secret potion makes me kinda drunk...
STILL FEELS UNPLEASANT,
MEN'S SEXUAL DESIRE

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BUT FOR SOME REASON, RECENTLY
I THINK THAT YOUTA'S ARE CUTE..
AHHH...
BUT...
AHHH
YOU-TA
HE WAS LAUGHING FROM THE TIME HE WAS BORN
BIG BROTHER
HE WAS A BABY
THAT CRIED LIKE CRAZY
HE WAS LAUGHING AND IT WAS SO ODD
?
HA HA HA
BECAUSE HE IS SO OVERPROTECTIVE
IT'S YOUTA
IS HIS EX-GIRLFRIEND
DON'T WANNA SEE HER
SOMEWHERE HERE!
I CAN SEE SOO MUCH..
BUT HIS NAME HAS TO BE~
THOUGHT OF OTHER NAMES TOO.
AND WE'RE TOUCHING EACH OTHER..?
IS IT BECAUSE I DRANK THE POTION
BEAUTIFUL
SCARY

CONCRETENESS
IT'S STARTING TO LACK
AH
OH
I'M
I'M SORRY... YOUTA ..
EH...
PRETTY WELL ?
IT WAS GOING ?
..HUH ?
.....
UH
...WAS IT BAD?
AH
EH——
MY, MY FAULT?!
SORRY
NO THE POTION
I THINK
...I'M GOING TO THROW UP

AND WHEN I WOKE UP
I DON'T REMEMBER
ANYTHING AFTER THAT...
slink slink
slide
100 Suga 200
splash splash
Trip Trip Trip
THERE'S NO SCRATCH MARKS... ARE THERE?
OH GOOD
Realize...
zz
.....
IT WAS ALREADY MORNING
I FAILED AGAIN
AH...
HE WOKE UP...
Morning

I
JUST BY LOOKING AT YOUTA'S SMILE.
I FEEL LIKE MY "SEX HORMONES" BECOME ACTIVE ENOUGH
Is that bad?
AH— I HAVE TO GET READY QUICKLY TODAY
PFFt
AHAHAHAHA
AW
AH
NTTL
THIS— THIS IS A PRESENT FROM MY BROTHER, AND IT'S FOR A "BATTLE". SO
Through I have
SMILING SO MUCH...? ...WHY ARE YOU
We didn't do it right?
AHA— BUT... I'M HAPPY~~
WAKING UP IN THE MORNING TOGETHER ♫
Just a white bed?
(THOUGH I DIDN'T SLEEP A LOT.)
AH
EH...? IS THAT SO...?
ISN'T-
SHIORI-SAN
PLUS IT SEEMS LIKE
FRIGID?
YOU DIDN'T HAVE ANY FLASHBACKS TODAY, RIGHT...?
I GUESS IT'S BECAUSE OF THE MEDICINE
AH- YEA... I THINK
NEXT TIME WILL BE OKAY
ALRIGHT
RIGHT NOW...ON
THIS GIRL
I WON'T HURT
OKAY
THEN IT'S
I WILL NEVER

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IT'S AN ENTERPRISE PROVIDING PRODUCTS SUCH AS SECURITY SUPPLIES, NURSING SUPPLIES AND DIET SUPPLIES
TO MAKE LIVING BETTER IT'S EXPANDED GREATLY IN RECENT YEARS
HARADA-SAN.
Alias..
Riku Harada (27)
A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO, A PRODUCT'S TOP SECRET RESEARCH INFORMATION LEAKED OUT TO A BUSINESS RIVAL
THOUGH THEY FOUND THE EMPLOYEE ACTING AS AN ACTUAL SPY AND FIRED HIM, INFO WAS LEAKED OUT AGAIN, WHICH MADE THEM SUSPECT THAT THERE WAS ANOTHER SPY
TN: S.S = SECRET SERVICE
A EXO AT INFORMATION MANAGEMENT, HE WAS HIRED AWAY FROM S.S TO "IMPROVE THE COMPANY'S INFORMATION SECURITY"
BUT HIS ACUTAL JOB IS TO FIND THE REAL SPY
YES.
SAIGA, THE MANAGING DIRECTOR, IS CALLING FOR YOU!
ANY PROGRESS?

WE UNDERSTAND BUT...
THE 2 SUSPECTS THAT YOU HAVE TOLD US ABOUT, AREN'T ACTING SUSPICIOUS SO FAR
Client
Toshio Saiga (55)
Managing Dir &CIO
ALTHOUGH I DIDN'T SET A TIME LIMIT...
PLEASE, DON'T TAKE TOO MUCH TIME
EVEN WE ARE IN A BAD ECONOMIC STATE
...THOUGH HE'S MY DAUGHTER'S HUSBAND .. I THINK SHINOZAWA IS SUSPICIOUS...
WITH HIS ATTITUDE THAT SEEMS TO BE SAYING, "I WON'T WORK UNDER ONE SPECIFIC PERSON"..
Well you're the same, sir!
I HAVE SET UP ANOTHER TRAP, SO I'LL BE ABLE TO SEE HIS REACTION.
I SEE, BUT..
CAN YOU FINISH IN 10 DAYS?
IF THERE AREN'T ANY RESULTS WITHIN 10 DAYS, IT'S DONE BETWEEN US AND OFFICE S
I WON'T BE PAYING YOU AT ALL IF THAT HAPPENS. PLEASE KEEP THAT IN MIND.

ON THE COMPUTERS OF THE 2 SUSPECTS
I PUT A FILE THAT LOOKS LIKE IT HAS INFORMATION
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I WILL INFORM MY SUPERIORS
I WILL CONTINUE WITH THE INVESTIGATION FOR NOW
AND IF THEY TRY TO COPY IT ONTO THEIR OWN

A FILE THAT I HAVE NEVER SEEN...
MM... THERE'S
SOMETHING WRONG, SECTION CHIEF?
YOU WERE GROANING JUST NOW, RIGHT?
URGH
DO YOU HAVE IT, TOO? IT'S THIS ONE
LET'S SEE
I DON'T HAVE IT...
I CAN'T OPEN IT...
TGK
AH. IT'S ON MY COMPUTER...!
JUST 2 (BOTTLES)
CAN YOU?
OPEN IT?
NO- IF IT'S SOMETHING DANGEROUS...
WE SHOULD CALL HARADA-SAN FOR THINGS LIKE THIS.
AH, I SEE!
HARADA-SAN!
PLEASE COME TAKE A LOOK
WHAT'S WRONG?
THERE'S SOMETHING WEIRD... THIS FILE...
LET ME TAKE A LOOK.

HARADA-SAN!
THANKS FOR THE THING YESTER-DAY.
OH... YOU'RE WELCOME.. HOW WAS IT? YOUR LUNCH ..
IT WAS PRETTY GOOD
MY WIFE LIKED IT A LOT—
UMM... AND UM...
I KNOW IT'S A BIT SUDDEN, BUT
WELL ...
IT'S A SIMPLE
RUG-LIKE THING CREATED DUE TO THE COMPATIBILITY ISSUES BET-WEEN THE OLD AND NEW MA-CHINES
IT'S OKAY TO PUT THEM IN THE BIN
IS THAT SO!
GOOD THING IT WASN'T TANGLED UP

This the brochure
I ONLY SAID, "I WILL ASK MY WIFE FIRST," JUST IN CASE...
But~
IT BECAME SOMETHING LIKE, "I WANT TO GO THERE WITH MY HUSBAND'S FRIEND AND HIS WIFE☆" !
Like I said~
OUR TARGET'S WIFE HAD SOME TICKETS FOR A GOOD HOT SPRINGS RYOKAN AND~~
WHAT ?!
Wife?
YES, YOU "WIFE, TAMAKO, 23 YEARS OLD." OKAY
USUALLY DIRECT INVESTIGATION IS PROHIBITED,
BUT SINCE IT'S COME TO THIS, LET'S JUST DO IT!
GO SPEND A NIGHT OVER THERE!
USE THE SECRET POTION, BUT READ THE INSTRUCTIONS SINCE THIS IS SUCH A GREAT OPPORTUNITY
GEKIYASU
※ DIRECT INVESTIGATION MEANS TO INVESTIGATE A MATTER BY DIRECTLY CONFRONTING THE TARGET AND ASKING QUESTIONS
UMM...
A COUPLE
IS THE BATTLE ENTER
WIFE
COLD BLOODED HUSBAND
HOT SPRINGS
BATH...?!
DRINK
SAKE
SEX
Thinking of the nice meanings
MATTE ENTER MATTE

THAT MEANS THAT I don't HAVE A CHOICE
.....
I COULDN'T THINK ABOUT IT
Bun — d
WELL, THERE IS. ? BUT,
TH- THIS DO I HAVE THE CHOICE OF NOT ACCEPTING IT...
IF THE REASON YOU WISH TO DO SO IS SOMETHING PERSONAL, I WILL INSIST YOU QUIT.
I UNDER-STAND.
I WILL GO.
YES——!!
LET'S GET 252 CLEANED UP QUICKLY!
Clap Clap!
I WILL GO CALL SHINO-ZAWA.
I won't cry.
Sa-
SAHO SAN...
WELL!
LET'S PRACTICE READING PEOPLE THAT "YOU CAN'T READ!"
What what?
Shes having fun...
THE SECRET POTION?
Yes
I BROUGHT IT...
CAN I HAVE SOME ONE COME AS.. SUPPORT?
IF POSSIBLE, YOUTA.
Well he'll definitely be fine.
Hmm—
WELL, I GUESS IT'S FINE.
IF KUBO-KUN IS OKAY WITH THAT
THANK YOU.
Sniff
Don't cry

GULP
GULP
NIJIHARA-KUN! I'M COUNTING ON YOU!
I WILL DO IT!!
AH
FINE
MY THOUGHTS MIGHT INTERFERE, SO I WILL BE WATCHING FROM THE COUNSELING ROOM!
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...PLEASE DON'T THINK OF ANYTHING WEIRD..
I WILL TRY...

AH
!!
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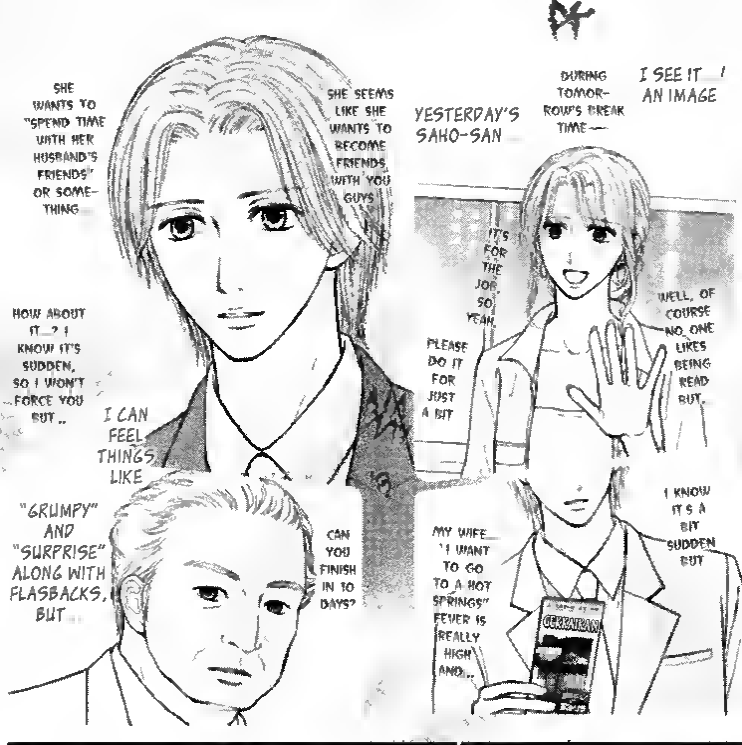
SHE WANTS TO "SPEND TIME WITH HER HUSBAND'S FRIENDS" OR SOMETHING
SHE SEEMS LIKE SHE WANTS TO BECOME FRIENDS WITH YOU GUYS
HOW ABOUT IT...? I KNOW IT'S SUDDEN, SO I WON'T FORCE YOU BUT..
I CAN FEEL THINGS LIKE
"GRUMPY" AND "SURPRISE" ALONG WITH FLASHBACKS, BUT...
CAN YOU FINISH IN 10 DAYS?
YESTERDAY'S SAHO-SAN
DURING TOMORROW'S BREAK TIME—
I SEE IT AN IMAGE!
IT'S FOR THE JOB, SO, YEAH.
PLEASE DO IT FOR JUST A BIT
WELL, OF COURSE NO ONE LIKES BEING READ BUT.
MY WIFE... "I WANT TO GO TO A HOT SPRINGS" FEVER IS REALLY HIGH AND...
I KNOW IT'S A BIT SUDDEN BUT
GERMANIUM

AH, I HEAR IT.
...BUT, THAT'S NOT IT..
Um—in an animal?
WORDS AND I?
IS IT IMPOSSIBLE TO READ THEIR CONSCIENCE?
UMM... I COULD SEE THE FLASHBACKS BUT...
MOGE
HOW CAN I PUT THIS... CAN YOUR THOUGHTS BE IN WORDS...?

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?!
WHA...
WHOA?!
FALL
OPEN—S
WHAT'S GOING ON—?!
SHE COLLAPSED
WHAT ON EARTH WAS ON YOUR MIND?!
IT WAS SOMETHING COMPLETELY NORMAL

SHE CHUGGED THE SECRET POTION ALL AT ONCE?!
IDIOT!!
Super energetic
SHE'S STILL UNCONSCIOUS
I'LL TRY CALLING MY GRANDMOTHER
YOU IDIOT...!
GRANDMA... WHY IS THE MANUAL HERE?
DOESN'T THE MANUAL TELL YOU TO DILUTE IT ACCORDING TO THE OBJECTIVE ~~~~!!
WHOAHHH?!
.....
.....
KEI-CHAN SAID THAT HE'LL FIX IT TO YOU— I'LL GET IT RIGHT NOW—
"I FORGOT TO GIVE HER THE MANUAL"!
.....
RI...
KI...?

.....
ZZ
I WONDER WHAT SHE SAW...
...I DON'T REALLY WANT TO KNOW.
Haha I agree.
EXCUSE ME.
I DON'T KNOW IF I COULD MAKE TIME TOMORROW FOR THIS.
I'M SORRY BUT I HAVE TO LEAVE NOW...
BEEP
I GUESS IT'S OKAY SINCE WE KNOW THAT SHE CAN SEE FLASH-BACKS NOW?
PLUS, THE MANUAL CAME.
I don't want to overwork it you!
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HUH...?
MY ROOM...
AH SHE WOKE UP! DIRECTOR —!!
SHE'S AWAKE!
YOU'TA ...?
...YEA... SOMEHOW
I CALLED KUBO-KUN AND GOT HIM TO CARRY YOU HERE
ARE YOU ALRIGHT ?
AND WHAT? BEFORE YOU COLLAPSED,
WHAT DID YOU SEE? DO YOU REMEMBER?
UMM— I THINK IT WAS...
SOMETHING DEEPER THAN THE DEPTHS OF CONSCIOUSNESS, A BLURRY .
—FELT LIKE I WENT TO THE SPIRITUAL WORLD OR SOMETHING
IT'S HARD TO EXPLAIN
SORRY
I SEE ...
WELL... IT'S FINE AS LONG AS YOU CAN READ "SHINOZAWA" FOR NOW .
PLUS, WE GOT THE MANUAL FOR THE POTION. HOPE IT GOES WELL.
YES...
I NEVER KNEW THERE WAS A MANUAL ?
YES APPARENTLY THERE WAS ONE

BUT IT'S YOUR JOB, RIGHT?
YOUTA!
AH, THEN— I WILL ALSO GO AND...
YOU SHOULD GET SOME REST
SINCE IT SEEMS YOU'RE OKAY, I'M GOING BACK
I DIDN'T WANT TO DO IT BUT.. THE "WIFE" ROLE
I'M... SORRY...
SO YOU'VE GOT TO DO IT
I CAN GO AS SUPPORT TOO
..YEA.. THANKS...
HMM
OF COURSE I FEEL BAD...
WELL..
I WAS ABLE TO GET INTO SHURI-KUN'S ROOM♡
IT SMELLS GOOD●
WELL, I'LL BE LEAVIN'.
REST WELL!
I CAN EAT 3 BOWLS OF RICE♡ THOUGH I DON'T HAVE ANY RICE
CLOSE
ka-chak
I CAN HEAR YOUTA TOO WELL
UP
DOWN

LONG-TIME NO SEE—! HOW ARE YOU DOING?
YEA... I'M FINE.
HEY~~ DON'T LIE~~!
IT'S ANNOYING—
HEY— CAN WE HANG OUT NEXT WEEK-END?
Ah~~ SORRY .. I'M LOADED WITH WORK . A BUSINESS TRIP
Ha ha YOU'RE RIGHT
THIS IS HOW I USUALLY AM
I SEE— WAIT, ISNT THAT REALLY ANNYING? ARE YOU OKAY?
AH— IT'S A DEPRESSING JOB
EH— WHAT, WHAT KINDA JOB?
A WIFE AND HUSBAND ROLE —?!
WITH RIKI-SAN!
THAT'S RIGHT... I CAN'T TELL YOU THE DETAILS THOUGH.
EH— WHAT'S THAT~~ ARE YOU OKAY~~?!
WELL... THAT GUY... IS A GOOD COLLEAGUE...
I TAKE A BACKSEAT TO HIM
SOME-TIMES ...

SOMETIMES, HE'S REALLY EVIL.
HIS WORDS HURT ME... JUST LIKE KNIVES
I SEE
IN THE END PEOPLE CAN'T CHANGE THAT QUICKLY~ HUH?
NO~ I'M SO WORRIED!
AH— BUT THERE'S GOING TO BE A SUPPORTER THERE TOO SO...
yes
It's okay
SORRY FOR MAKING YOU WORRY
ARE YOU SURE —?
AH HA HA HA
THAT'S TOO MANY!
THERE'S 3 PEOPLE I THINK I'D BE ABLE TO FALL IN LOVE WITH.
AH LISTEN LISTEN RIGHT NOW!
WHAT'S GOING WITH YOU?
WOW—
VROOM...
office
VROOM...

WHOA~ HE'S ACTUALLY HERE
IT'S REALLY RIKI-SAN
HOW COULD HE....
makes mistake
SNEAKY
BUT
BOLD
.....
.....
SHU
OTOGA-WA'S FRIEND....
I DO YOU REMEMBER ME?
YES, YES! AND MY NAME IS?
"NORI ...MI?"
CLOSE!
"ONORI?"
YOU DRIFTED AWAY?!
WELL IT'S FINE, YOU DON'T HAVE TO CARE ABOUT MY NAME!
THEN DON'T ASK ME
HMPH
WELL, I GOT WORRIED WHEN I HEARD SHE WAS GOING TO DO A "WIFE AND HUSBAND" ROLE!
IF YOU BULLY SHURI-CHAN OR DO SOMETHING EVIL AGAIN, I WON'T FORGIVE YOU!!

WHAT?!
EVEN IF SHURI KEEPS QUIET ABOUT IT, I WILL SUE YOU!!
YOU DESERVE IT!!
I think?!
SAYING MEAN THINGS, HITTING HER OR DOING IT WITHOUT APPROVAL!!
THAT'S RIGHT! OKAY?!
...EVIL...?
WHAT HE'S THINKING RIGHT NOW
EVE
EVEN IF I CAN'T READ HIM I KNOW
WELL~~
I COULDN'T STAY STILL AFTER WHAT YOU SAID LAST NIGHT~~
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, MINORI?
WHA...
WHAT ARE YOU SAY...
WHA-WHA-

PLUS YOU'RE ALWAYS BUSY, SO WE COULDN'T SPEND--
I GET IT, I GET IT, LET'S HAVE TEA, OKAY?
Come on Let's go to the cafe over there
MINORI-CHAN, COME HERE FOR A SEC!!
But I was worried...
You idiot!
THIS ANNOYING WOMAN OUT OF MY SIGHT NOW!!"
"GET...

I'M STILL ON MY SHIFT SO IF IT RINGS, I'LL ANSWER IT.
YES, YES, GO AHEAD ☆
clank
YOUR BUSINESS TRIP IS FROM THIS SATURDAY, RIGHT? I'M SO JEALOUS THAT YOU GET TO GO TO A HOT SPRINGS♡
...I'M NOT VERY GOOD AT STAYING IN HOT WATER, SO I'M NOT HAPPY AT ALL...
PLUS SOMETIMES IT STINGS DEPENDING ON THE TYPE OF HOT SPRINGS
Ahh... she's so not into it...
YOU'RE SUCH A BABY!
You're too delicate!
AFTER THIS I'M GOING TO VISIT A FRIEND OF SAHO-SAN WHO'S A HOUSE-WIFE
TO LEARN WHAT A MODEL HOUSE-WIFE IS LIKE.
OH RIGHT, YOU'RE ACTING THE PART OF THE WIFE—!
Ahh haha I wanna see that!
AH SORRY, I HAVE TO ANSWER IT.
GO AHEAD
GENKAIKAN
VR
PP
I'LL CONTACT YOU LATER—
OKA~Y!
Please do♡
"GEKKAN" ....?
SEARCH
YES
OH, CONFIRMING THE RESERVATION
YES
"FUJITA KUNO" 21 YEAR OLD MALE
Yes
YES THE REPRESENTATIVE

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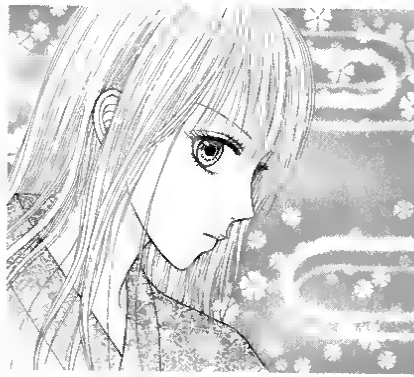
VROOM
HMM? NIJIHARA-SAN, WHAT ABOUT THE CAR
WHY DON'T YOU DRIVE HER FOR NOW?
WE'LL SWITCH RIGHT BEFORE WE ARRIVE AT THE HOTEL
AH, YES!
HE'S REALLY THOUGHTFUL♬
NIJIHARA-SAN IS SO KIND ♡
YEA
THEN, LET'S GO—!
IT'S NOT... KINDNESS OR ANYTHING.
NEITHER IS HE COLD-HEARTED V
IN THE DEPTHS OF HIS MIND
THERE'S NOTHING
VROOOOM

WITH COUNTLESS WORRIES. .
AM I GOING TO BE able TO READ THE MIND OF THAT KIND OF PERSON
"PEOPLE I CAN'T READ"
IS MR SHINO-ZAWA ALSO ONE OF THEM?
BEGUN
"THE WIFE AND HUSBAND ROLE PLAY" HAS...
GEKKAIKAN
Welcome
MR. AND MRS. HARADA HAVE ARRIVED—!

IT'S SO SAD,
I COULD BARELY KEEP STANDING...
A DESPAIRING,
NEVER ENDING DARKNESS.



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BAM!
Waaaa

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If you don't want us
to send the crazy
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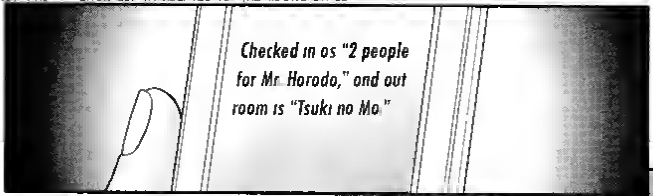
—AND SO,
THE COUPLE ROLE HAS STARTED.
Gekkaikan
WEL-COME
MR AND MRS HARADA HAVE ARRIVED
THANK YOU FOR COMING
PLEASE CHECK IN OVER HERE

WE JUST RECEIVED A CALL FROM MR. SHINOZAWA. WHO MADE THE RESERVATION,
THAT HE WILL BE ARRIVING A LITTLE LATE.
AH, YES. WE GOT A PHONE CALL AS WELL
I WILL TAKE YOU TO YOUR ROOMS.
YOUR ROOM WITH BE THE "TSUKI NO MA" THAT IS ON THE SECOND FLOOR——
I WILL TEXT YOUTA... ...SEND.

*T/N: "TSUKI NO MA" LITERALLY TRANSLATES TO "THE MOON'S SPACE"



I HAVE...
THE MEMORIES OF WHEN SHURI-RIN STAYED OVER AT MY HOUSE (THOUGH WE ONLY DID IT HALF WAY)
THOSE TWO ARE LIKE
WATER AND OIL...
BUT I WONDER IF THE MARRIED COUPLE ROLE WILL GO WELL...
OR SHOULD I SAY, A CAT AND A DOG...
OR LIKE A PIGEON THAT'S SHOT BY A PEASHOOTER...
*T/N "A PIGEON SHOT BY A PEA SHOOTER" (AN IDIOM) IS A DIRECT TRANSLATION FROM JAPANESE (IT'S SORT OF LIKE DEER CAUGHT IN HEADLIGHTS, BUT SINCE IT SHOWS A PICTURE OF A PIGEON, I JUST LIKED THE DIRECT TRANSLATION)
PEW!
COO!
NO, THAT'S NOT RIGHT!
PFFT!
Laughing by himself
THE LAST ONE IS DEFINITELY NOT RIGHT!
AND THAT WAS YOUTA-KUN, WHO SEEMS TO BE HAVING ENOUGH FUN BY HIMSELF
HAHAHA!
COO!?
God
PLUS THE SMELL OF SHURI-RIN'S ROOM THAT I ENTERED IN THE SPUR OF THE MOMENT...♥
That just sounds sad
God
I CAN EAT 5 BOWLS OF RICE JUST BY REMEMBERING THAT SMELL♥
(The number has increased)

WE'RE "SUPPOSED" TO BE MARRIED FOR ONE YEAR. COULD THAT BE CONSIDER A NEWLYWED?
...THERE'S NO NEED TO ANSWER THAT.
WELL?
UH...
ARE YOU GUYS NEWLY-WEDS?
WOW...
an unfriendly person...
what
HE'S A BIT UNFRIEND-LY...
S-SORRY.
WHIIIIIIR
SHE WOULD HAVE ASKED MORE QUES-TIONS LIKE "MY JOB" AND "WHERE WE CAME FROM."
AND... EVERY TIME SHE SEES US, SHE'LL TRY TO FIND OUT MORE STUFF.
...IF I ANSWERED HER
A BIT.
...ACTING LIKE THAT TOWARDS SOMEONE WHO'S GOING TO TAKE CARE OF US IS...
I really don't like...
NO PROBLEM... SORRY FOR TALKING ABOUT A PRIVATE MATTER
these two
PLEASE USE THIS TO GO UPSTAIRS.
Should I not give them good service...?

Tsuki no Ma
SO HE DID THINK BEFORE HE SPOKE
I THOUGHT THAT IT WAS ONE OF HIS USUAL INSULTS
WHIIIIIR
THAT WOULD BE TROUBLE-SOME
THAT WAS GOOD ENOUGH
I THOUGHT THAT THE WIFE WOULD BACK ME UP AS WELL
AND THINGS LIKE YOUR CHANGE OF CLOTHES WILL BE OVER HERE
OKAY
DINNER WILL BE SERVED IN MR. SHINOZAWA'S ROOM FOR 4 PEOPLE, BUT-
OH, PLEASE DO SO
WE'LL BE IN YOUR CARE
THIS IS JUST OUR FEELINGS. IF YOU WOULD
Huh...?
OH NO... I CAN'T ACCEPT SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
PLEASE DO, WE'LL BE IN YOUR CARE, SO...
WELL IS THAT SO?
Hmph... Though he's sour
WELL, THANK YOU...
I WILL ACCEPT IT GRATE-FULLY.
He knows his stuff...
I don't really know
Is this that "Tsundere" type or so-called thing?

CLOSE
She's in such a good mood now.
Hmm.
HE'S GOOD...
IF YOU NEED SOMETHING, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL ME ANYTIME ♡
HE KNOWS WAY MORE ABOUT THE WORLD THAN I THINK HE DOES...
HAS DONE MANY DIFFERENT PART TIME JOBS TO BE SELF SUFFICIENT SINCE A LONG TIME AGO.
—COME TO THINK OF IT, THIS PERSON
FLIP
IT'S ABOUT USING THE SECRET POTION.
OH YEAH, UMM...
OH.
I...
DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT THE WORLD...
OTHERWISE, HE WOULDN'T BE GIVEN AN INFILTRATION JOB...
..YEAH...
I SHOULD LEARN MORE...
RIGHT—?

	Normal	Potion (water 1/2)	Potion (water 1/2) +contact	Potion (Not diluted)
People I can read	Can read	Can read very well *hard to stop reading	Can see their depths of consciousness	Unknown You can't read what's on their mind anymore (?) - If you have contact you will even be able to pick up their body signals
People I can't read	Can't read	Can read	Can read very well *hard to stop reading	

THIS IS THE MANUAL, I SUMMARIZED IT A BIT.

PLUS IT WAS WRITTEN IN OLD JAPANESE.

☆This is just an assumption. this may not be the case every time

REALLY EASY TO READ... EVEN IF I TRY NOT TO, HER THOUGHTS WILL COME INTO MY HEAD...
KIND OF LIKE YOUTA

AND "YORIKO", HIS WIFE IS

IT WILL BE BETTER IF SHE'S NOT AROUND WHEN I TAKE THE POTION...

Wife of target: Yoriko (25)

SO YOU DILUTE IT...

YEAH... I BROUGHT DILUTED ONES THAT I'VE DIVIDED INTO SMALL CONTAINERS.

BUT IT MAKES ME FEEL SICK FROM DRINKING SO I'M NOT SUPPOSED TO CONSUME AT LOT AT ONCE...

.....

THAT'S RIGHT.

...SO, USING THE POTION WHEN YOU'RE ONLY WITH SHINOZAWA... IS THE BEST SITUATION

WE WILL STAY HERE FOR 1 NIGHT, SO THERE'LL BE A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES...
...GOOD
I THOUGHT THAT HE'D SAY "SO ANNOYING..."
—I GOT IT.
2F
YES.
THOUGH WE ALREADY HAVE RESEARCHED THIS FLOOR PLAN
LOOK AROUND THIS PLACE IN OUR FREE TIME
WHAT'S LEFT IS TO
—OH... THAT'S RIGHT
?
—HOW DID YOU SEE THINGS
WHEN WE DID
THAT?

IF WE BASE IT ON THE TABLE THAT WE'VE READ, IT'S "UNKNOWN", RIGHT...?
YE-YEAH... SO
IT'S KIND OF HARD TO EXPLAIN... IT WAS KIND OF LIKE AN ABSTRACT WORLD, BUT...
SOMEHOW... AFTER I TOUCHED YOU, HOW DO I PUT IT... A LOT OF PEOPLE'S SHADOWS...
STARTED SPREADING OUT TOWARDS THE BACK...
I THINK IT'S ALL THE PEOPLE THAT YOU'VE MET UNTIL NOW...
AND AFTER THAT...——
IT WAS LIKE... A TUNNEL OR SOMETHING...
AND WENT BACK...
LIKE A ROLLER COASTER? IT KIND OF
CONTINUED ON AND ON...
.....

SCRATCH
HMM ?
WELL, THAT'S FINE
I DON'T REMEMBER IT VERY WELL
I'M SORRY
SOMETHING HE, HIMSELF, DOESN'T EVEN KNOW
——BECAUSE IT'S PROBABLY
RATTLE
LET'S GO
AS I THOUGHT, IT'S SCARY
TO READ RIKI.
AN EMPTY HOLE
IN HIS HEART..
SOMETHING THAT HE DEVELOPED EVER SINCE HE COULD REMEMBER

SORRY FOR THE WAIT, MR YASUDA
I WILL TAKE YOU TO YOUR ROOM
FOR NOW,
I WILL GET USED TO THE POTION BY USING "SHINOZAWA-SAN".
Yeah.
I'M SORRY FOR MISTAKING YOUR COURSE FOR THE "BATH ONLY COURSE"
IT'S VERY RARE TO HAVE ONLY ONE YOUNG PERSON TO STAY OVER...
Is that so
....IS YOUTA CHECKING IN, RIGHT NOW?
I'M IN THE "HOT SPRINGS RESEARCH CLUB" IN MY UNIVERSITY, SO I CAME HERE FOR RESEARCH!
OH, IS THAT SO!?
THEN I WILL HAVE TO SHOW YOU ALL THE GOOD SPOTS!

*T/N: "KAEDE NO MA" LITERALLY TRANSLATES TO "MAPLE ROOM" IN JAPANESE.

*T/N: "OTAMA" WAS THE NAME USED MOSTLY IN THE PAST AND NOT NOW.

*T/N: "AOI NO MA" LITERALLY TRANSLATES TO "MALLOW ROOM" IN ENGLISH.

Will she talk to me?
Will she listen to me?
AS I THOUGHT I CAN'T READ SHINOZAWA-SAN.
THERE ARE 12 DIFFERENT TYPES OF HOT SPRINGS HERE~
THAT'S A LOT.
CAN I RESPOND WELL TO HER...?
SHOULD WE SPEND SOME TIME IN THE HOT SPRINGS UNTIL DINNER STARTS?
LET'S DO THAT
THEN SEE YOU LATER.
WE ONLY CAME HERE TO INVESTIGATE, SO DON'T BE TOO INTO IT
I WON'T I'M BAD WITH IT
TWO ROOMS DOWN FROM US... IT'S NOT TOO BAD.
WE ONLY NEED
TO SPEND SOME TIME IN THE HOT SPRINGS I'M GLAD FOR SOME REASON...
WELL JUST TALK A BIT IF YOU MEET HER.
THERE MIGHT BE SOME USEFUL INFORMATION FROM THE WIFE'S THOUGHTS, SO
——FOR NOW,

I WILL LEAVE HER UP TO YOU IF YOU MEET HER.
YES.
...WHAT?
AREN'T YOU GUYS MAKING A PRETTY GOOD COUPLE...?
GLOOM
GLOOM
THERE WAS NO POINT IN ME WORRYING...
PLEASE
PUSH
GO AHEAD NOW.
.....

JEA-LOUS?
PAT
PAT
...I'M NOT JEALOUS
?
TOUCH
.....
...WELL, YOU PRO-BABLY SAW THROUGH IT, BUT...
THAT WAS A LIE.
HUG
...
AHHH♡
HE'S ALREADY IN A GOOD MOOD...
He
He
HUG

—I JUST NEED TO KEEP AND EYE ON THE TARGET AND HIS WIFE WHILE CHECKING THE INTERIOR OF THIS RYOKAN, RIGHT...?
AND THEN JUST WAIT FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS, RIGHT?
YUP, I'LL BE COUNTING ON YOU.
AH, WHAT?
A BIT MORE...
SHURI RECHARGER...
...UH

SAW THE FUTURE...
...I JUST
SO IT CAME ...!
FLINCH
BAM...
Female Hormones
—THAT
...WIFE WILL...
STAB...

...FOR REAL...
WHO WAS STABBED, WHERE WAS IT?
...SOME-ONE...!!
—I SEE.
I WILL WATCH OUT.
I THINK THAT THE PERSON WHO'LL BE STABBED IS A MALE.
.....
CURRENT IN DANGER LIST
SORRY, I DON'T KNOW THAT MUCH...
JUST THAT... THE HAND THAT WAS COVERING THE WOULD WASN'T LIKE A WOMAN'S

I don't think that it will be us.
WELL... IT'LL PROBABLY BE THE HUSBAND
Oh,
TAMA TOO... DON'T BE OFF GUARD JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE A WOMAN
DON'T BE OFF GUARD.
...YES
Is that a cat?
*T/N "TAMA" IS A STEREOTYPICAL CAT NAME
DING
FWSSSH
I BUMPED INTO HER...
YORIKO SHINOZAWA (29)
THE DAUGHTER OF THE CLIENT AND THE WIFE OF THE TARGET...
STABBING SOMEONE... AN IMPULSIVE PERSON?
...UM...

EVEN IF I ASK HIM
...MINE WON'T
WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT IT?
DOES YOUR HUSBAND... TALK ABOUT HIS WORK?
WELL NO... NOT A LOT...
WELL, IF I ASK HIM, HE'LL TELL ME AT LEAST A BIT
Sorry
I CAN'T GET A SINGLE PIECE OF INFORMATION ABOUT HIM! ALWAYS!
I CAN'T...
UH~ WELL... DON'T MOST MEN NOT TALK ABOUT THEIR WORK AT HOME?
BUT SHOULDN'T HE AT LEAST TALK ABOUT WHO HE WAS WITH AFTER WORK...?
A BIT FORCEFUL...
DECIDED TO GET MARRIED SINCE HE WAS OFFERED BY HIS MANAGING DIRECTOR AS WELL
WAS IT A BIT TOO HARD TO REFUSE THE MANAGING DIRECTOR'S DAUGHTER?
...I SEE... THEY WERE EX-COWORKERS
THE WIFE FELL IN LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT...
SAN.
AMANE-SAN.

I STILL HAVE WORK
I'M SORRY
THOUGH HE HAD A GENTLE EXPRESSION
WHAT...?
I'M BACK
AMANE-SAN
WELCOME BACK,
HUH? DIDN'T I TELL YOU THAT I DON'T NEED ANY?
DINNER?
I DIDN'T EVEN EXIST
AS IF
ALWAYS...
HE WAS COMPLETELY UNINTERESTED
IT'S A BIT ABNORMAL
HER HEAD IS SO FULL ABOUT HER HUSBAND TO THE POINT THAT...
WHY
DO I
HAVE SO LITTLE VALUE?

HOW ARE THE NIGHTS?
ARE YOU DOING IT PROPERLY?
WHAT?
FOR US, IT'S ALMOST 3 YEARS.
HOW MANY YEARS HAS IT BEEN SINCE YOU'VE GOTTEN MARRIED?
AH... UM... IT'S BEEN ONE YEAR AND A BIT.
PLUS, THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE HERE!
CLU
SLIP
FROGGY
IT'S ABOUT THE NIGHT... HOW IS IT?
Wha- UM
I NEVER KNEW THAT PEOPLE LIKE HER EXISTED.
PEOPLE THAT ASK ABOUT THOSE THINGS WHEN WE'VE BARELY MET...
WHAT SHOULD I DO... I WANT TO RUN AWAY...
BUT I CAN'T GO AGAINST MY PARTNER'S ORDER...
WHAT IS CONSIDERED NORMAL FOR A NIGHT'?
I have no idea!
ERMM...
Maybe a conversation between wives is impossible for me...
WELL I GUESS NORMAL...? I THINK ?
HOW MANY TIMES?
EHH!?
I didn't learn about things like this...

...ONCE OR TWICE A WEEK.. THREE TIMES?
!!
WHAT!!
.....
WAS THAT OKAY? OR WAS IT NOT?
HEY, WIFEY, TELL ME
sigh
WE.. DON'T DO IT.
I see...
No,
If this is their
ONLY ABOUT TWICE WHEN WE FIRST GOT MARRIED ..
first ? year...
OH, BUT
ISN'T IT EASIER IF YOU DON'T DO IT AT ALL?
What the heck
is this girl
.....
saying?
!?
DID I SAY SOMETHING WRONG!?
AM I THAT UNATTRACTIVE?
DOES HE HAVE SOMEONE ELSE TO DO IT WITH...?

HAS A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON MY JOB... THAT'S HOW I REALLY FEEL RIGHT NOW...
NOT INTERACTING WITH MANY PEOPLE
...BECAUSE OF MY POWER...
AS I THOUGHT, IN ORDER TO KEEP UP A GOOD RELATION BETWEEN A WIFE AND A HUSBAND
THINGS THAT WE HAVE TO DO...
Mutter
BUT I GOT A DETECTIVE AGENCY TO CHECK THAT BUT HE DIDN'T HAVE ANY OTHER PERSON
HOW SHOULD I PUT IT, IS THIS THE SO CALLED HERBIVORE MEN?
IT'S NOT LIKE I'M ONLY INTERESTED ABOUT THE NIGHT, BUT...
THEY TELL YOU TO SHOW THEM THEIR GRAND-CHILDREN'S FACE
Mutter
Well you can skip this part if you like...
I THOUGHT THAT HE WOULD FEEL LIKE IT IF WE COME TO THE HOT SPRINGS
BUT HE DIDN'T WANT TO COME WITH ONLY ME AND HE ALWAYS AVOIDED THE SUBJECT.
Mutter
THIS TIME I TOLD HIM THAT I WANTED TO INVITE THE "HARUHA COUPLE" AND HE SAID OK
AND I WAS SO SURPRISED

FOR SOME REASON, I FEEL MINORI'S PRESENCE.
AHH... I MUST BE WANTING TO SEE HER.
.MINORI ..?
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME INTERACTING WITH SOMEONE LIKE THIS, AND...
AND, I'M ALREADY LOSING MY COOL.

MINOR! WAS REALLY ABLE TO...
INTERACT WITH PEOPLE VERY WELL, EVEN WITH PEOPLE WHO HAD A TWISTED PERSONALITY
SHE PULLED THE CLASS TOGETHER.
SHE HAD GREAT LEADERSHIP SKILLS...
AHH...
I WANT THOSE SKILLS...
GLUB
GLUB
GLUB...
KYAAA!?
GLUB
I REALLY DO...
OPEN!
WHA- WHAT HAPPENED!?
ARE YOU OKAY!?

It's calm over here as well
It's getting really boring
AREN'T YOU GOING TO TAKE OFF YOUR GLASSES?
IT LOOKS WEIRD WHEN I TAKE THEM OFF... FOR VARIOUS REASONS
DAMN IT... I BUMPED INTO HIM HOW AN NOYING
*SIGN: MEN
I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT IT'S THE MANAGING DIRECTOR'S DAUGHTER.
I AGREE, SHE RESEMBLES HER MOTHER MORE SHE DOES
NOT REALLY... YOUR WIFE IS CUTE.
SHE'S A REALLY PRETTY PERSON, YOUR WIFE...
IT'S REGARDING A PERSON CALLED "KIMOTO."
...UM
NO NO PLEASE GO AHEAD... IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY...
IN A PLACE LIKE THIS THOUGHTLESS...?
...IS TALKING ABOUT WORK

HE WAS FIRED FOR LEAKING INFORMATION TO ITS RIVAL COMPANY OR SOMETHING...
YES... THOUGH I COULDN'T BELIEVE IT...
BECAUSE... I THOUGHT THAT HE WAS ONE OF MY COWORKERS AND A FRIEND...
AND IT SEEMS LIKE THAT KIMOTO-SAN IS MISSING RIGHT NOW...
HUH... IS THAT TRUE?
YES
WHERE... DID YOU HEAR THAT FROM?
I WONDER WHO I HEARD IT FROM...
I DID SOME RESEARCH ON MY OWN...
WELL, IT WAS JUST A RUMOR...
EH... IF THAT'S TRUE, I'M A BIT WORRIED...
.....
ARE YOU WORRIED AS WELL, HARADA-SAN?

IT'S HARD TO ADJUST... TO HIS PACE.
I'M THE ONE TRYING TO GET INFORMATION OUT ABOUT HIM, BUT HE ANSWERS WITH QUESTIONS.
...THIS GUY..
WELL...
OF COURSE I'D BE, IF IT WAS TRUE
HE IRRITATES ME
IF I HAD A CHOICE, I WOULDN'T EVER TALK WITH HIM. THIS GUY
I see. Wait.
Should I try contacting him?
Will he ask us?
RATTLE!
UM!
I'M SORRY FOR THE INTRUSION!
IS MR. HARADA HERE!?
YES.
YOUR WIFE!
HAS COLLAPSED FROM STAYING IN THE HOT SPRINGS FOR TOO LONG!
STAND!
THIS IS BAD!

Tsuki no
RATTLE!
AH MR. HARADA! THANK GOD
—THAT SO THANK YOU...
—IS
BOW
IT SEEMS LIKE SHE STAYED IN THE HOT SPRINGS A BIT TOO LONG
IS THAT SO
UM, THIS PERSON, WHO HAPPENED TO BE THERE, HELPED US
CARRYING HER AND GETTING HER DRESSED... SHE WAS REALLY RELIABLE...
—I WILL GET HER TO REST AND WILL LOOK AFTER HER, SO... PLEASE EXCUSE ME
AH, WELL THEN, WE'LL BE GOING BACK, TAKE CARE... SEE YOU LATER
SHUT...

ARE YOU OKAY, SHURI-SAN!?
...UGH...
SHURI-SAN!
AHH!
RATTLE!
THUMP
SORRY...
AH...
TURN
What on earth happened at the bath ?
...DID SHE DO SOME-THING TO YOU?
.....
...HUH
I FEEL MINOR!...
?
Oh, my...
YOU'RE BEING SO PESSI-MISTIC
SHE'S HARD FOR ME TO DEAL WITH...
I CAN'T KEEP UP WITH HER...
That wife is as scary as a terrorist

HUH!?
MINORI-SAN!?
AS I THOUGHT...
MINORI...
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
I'M REALLY SORRY!!
I DIDN'T TELL YOU WHERE I WAS GO!...
...AH— AT THAT TIME...
YOU SAW IT.
AHH
YOU READ MY MIND!
IT'S NOT PLAY...
IT'S FOR WORK, I KNOW THAT!!
SOMEHOW... BUT STILL...
.....
SO-...
MIIINOOORI!!!
DO you understand the situation?

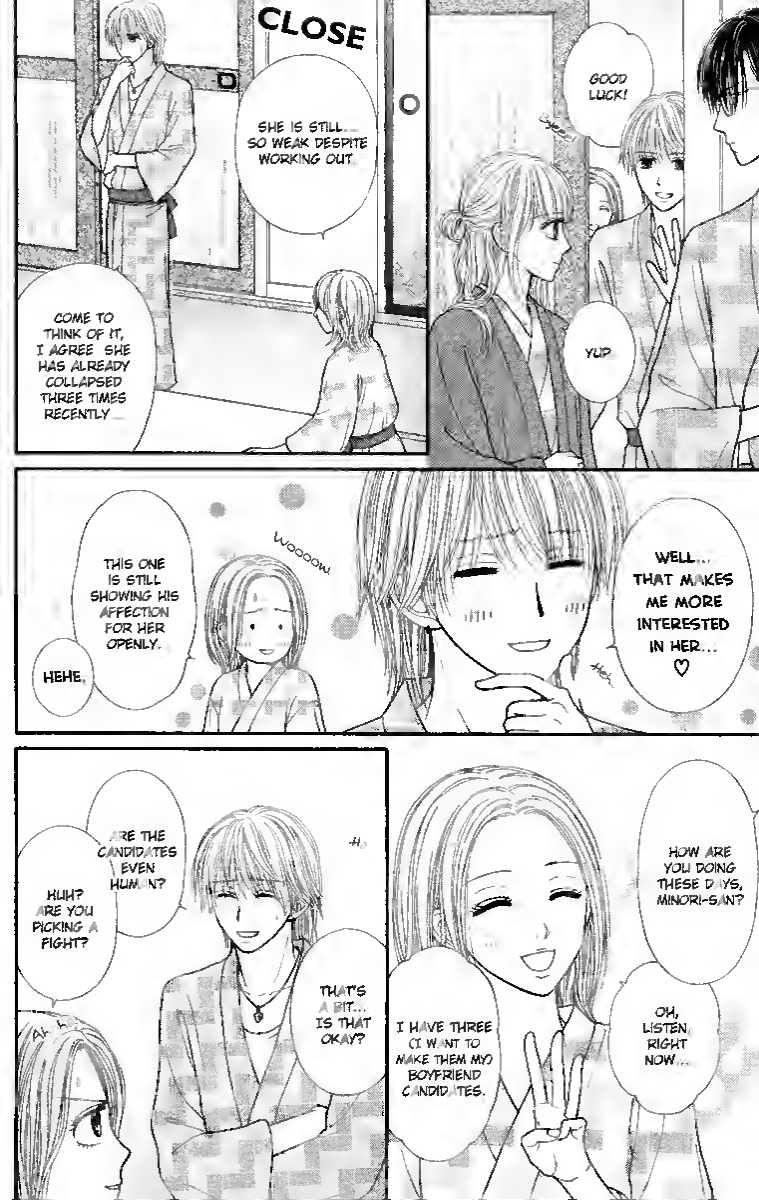
I WAS WORRIED AFTER HEARING THAT YOU WERE DOING A COUPLE ACT WITH A SCARY COWORKER FROM YOUR AGENCY!!
BECAUSE THIS GIRL IS BAD WITH GUYS (AND HE WAS THE CAUSE OF IT...)
I WASN'T PLANNING TO COME OUT
I WAS PLANNING TO WATCH OVER YOU QUIETLY... HONESTLY
WHO WOULD'VE THOUGHT THAT YOU'D COLLAPSE...
...THOUGH YOU'RE...
WORRIED
GULP
IT SEEMS YOU'VE BEEN ENJOYING THE HOT SPRINGS
The hot springs fall
HAVE YOU ALREADY MET MINORI-SAN BEFORE?
AH... I MET HER IN FRONT OF THE AGENCY
with Tama
AH, I SEE
GULP
GULP
YE... YES
A BIT...
I'm sorry
WERE YOU ABLE TO GET A RESERVATION?
I BARELY MANAGED TO GET ONE MYSELF
AH, I COULDN'T GET A ROOM, SO IT'S THE "BATH ONLY COURSE"

BUT THERE ARE PLACES LIKE THE NAP ROOM!
Hehe
NO NO IT'S DANGEROUS FOR A GIRL TO BE ALONE
WELL THEN YOU SHOULD GO BACK BEFORE THE LAST TRAIN LEAVES
MINORI,
WERE YOU AT THE HOT SPRINGS A WHILE AGO?
DID YOU LISTEN TO THE CONVERSATION?
AH, YES. I WAS
SORR
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THAT PERSON!?
HER COMMUNICATION ABILITIES ARE A BIT DIFFERENT FROM AN AVERAGE PERSON AS WELL
HMM MAYBE A BIT OF "NO SENSE OF DISTANCE-CHAN"
You-
YOU THINK SO, TOO.
SHE'S A BIT DIFFERENT, RIGHT?
I'm relieved I thought that I was the one who was not normal
YEAH. I THINK
IF SHE'S LIKE THAT, SHE PROBABLY DOESN'T HAVE A LOT OF FRIENDS
YEAH SHE'S SAD BECAUSE SHE DOESN'T HAVE ANY
SHE CAN'T HELP BUT BE EXCITED TO BE ABLE TO CATCH UP WITH SHURI,
WHO IS CALM AND LISTENS TO HER
WELL SINCE IT'S FOR YOUR JOB

AH... THAT'S MY WEAK POINT...
I SEE...
AND JUST STAY AWAY FROM THE TOPICS THAT YOU CAN'T DEAL WITH.
WHY DON'T YOU JUST TALK TO HER RANDOMLY?
THE LAST TRAIN WILL BE ARRIVING SOON, SO...
GO BACK AURA
AH...
I see, she's like a terrorist to Shun-nn.
WHOA... SHE ASKS THOSE THINGS?
DID SHE SAY SOMETHING MEAN?
SHE WAS ASKED A LOT ABOUT HOW THE "NIGHTS" WERE AND STUFF.
MINORI... CAN SHE STAY WITH ME?
NIJIHARA-SAN,

ISN'T IT ALRIGHT IF THINGS HAVE ALREADY COME SO FAR?
IF SHE COULD JUST SUPPORT SHURI PERSONALLY.
THE PUBLIC ISN'T ALLOWED TO GET INVOLVED.
NO WAY.
HOLD ON!
LET'S ASK THE BOSS OF THE AGENCY!
HEY
Sweet
Four way calling.
WE CAN'T TELL HER THE DETAILS, AND IF SHE WAS TO BE IN DANGER, WE AREN'T RESPONSIBLE— JUST MAKE SURE TO TELL HER THAT
BUT WE CAN'T ALLOW HER TO GET INVOLVED IN THE INVESTIGATION SO
WE DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE SOMEONE WHO CAME ON THEIR OWN GO BACK, RIGHT?
...FOR REAL...?
I TRUST MINORI-CHAN.
WOULDN'T HAVE SAID YES TO ANY OTHER PERSON, BUT
I PERSONALLY
If something were to happen in the end...
mumble mumble mumble
BUT...

SHE IS SOMEONE WHO WAS ABLE TO DEAL WITH SHURI FOR A LONG TIME
SHE CAN KEEP SECRETS AND IS INTEL LIGENT
SHE'S A BIT WILD BUT
SHE'S BOLD AND I LIKE HER PERSONALLY
TO THE POINT THAT I WANT HER TO WORK HERE PART TIME IF SHE HAS TIME
...IT'S BECOME MORE TROUBLE-SOME...
TCH!
WOAH!
CLICKING YOUR TONGUE!? HOW AN-NOYING!!
I won't trouble you!!
THIS IS A MIC AND AN EARPHONE.
IT WILL BE ABLE TO CONNECT EASILY FROM ANYWHERE IN THIS RYOKAN.
I WILL BE HAPPY IF YOU COULD JUST FOLLOW MY CONVERSA-TION—
YOU CAN IGNORE THE CONVERSA-TION PARTS THAT YOU DON'T UN-DERSTAND
I GOT IT!
IT'S OKAY NOW— I'M SORRY
CAN YOU GO?
YES


CLOSE
SHE IS STILL... SO WEAK DESPITE WORKING OUT.
COME TO THINK OF IT, I AGREE SHE HAS ALREADY COLLAPSED THREE TIMES RECENTLY...
GOOD LUCK!
YUP.
WOOOOW.
THIS ONE IS STILL SHOWING HIS AFFECTION FOR HER OPENLY.
HEHE.
WELL... THAT MAKES ME MORE INTERESTED IN HER... ♡
HUH? ARE YOU PICKING A FIGHT?
ARE THE CANDIDATES EVEN HUMAN?
THAT'S A BIT... IS THAT OKAY?
I HAVE THREE (I WANT TO MAKE THEM MY) BOYFRIEND CANDIDATES.
OH, LISTEN, RIGHT NOW...
HOW ARE YOU DOING THESE DAYS, MINORI-SAN?

I PREPARED YOUR DINNER IN YOUR ROOM
AH! THERE YOU ARE YASUDA-SAMA!
OH, WE SHOULD MOVE AS WELL
HUH? WHERE TOO?
THERE'S DINNER PREPARED FOR ME IN THE KAEDE NO MA, SO LET'S GO EAT IT QUICKLY OVER HERE
AH, YES! THANK YOU!
.....
IF YOU NEED MORE, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL MEEEEE
SMILE
THANKS!
AHHH I'M SORRY
SHE MUST THINK THAT I CAME HERE TO HIT ON PEOPLE SAYING SOMETHING LIKE I CAME TO "RESEARCH" ALONE DEFINITELY.
WELL, IT'S OKAY ☆ AHAHA

WHIIIIIR
CLATTER
HUH!?
STEP
MISTER? WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
THIS PLACE IS FOR WORKERS ONLY
OH I'M SORRY~ I GOT A BIT LOST
WHERE'S THE MAIN BUILDING~?
YOU JUST NEED TO KEEP GOING RIGHT AT THAT CORNER
GOT IT~

There is always at least one person who comes here at night~
IT IS REALLY TROUBLESOME AT NIGHT BE CAUSE THERE ARE LOTS OF DRUNK CUSTOMERS
Aoi no Ma
I AM REALLY SORRY
IT'S FINE. WE WENT TO THE HOT SPRINGS AND STUFF
THANK YOU FOR WAITING FOR ME TO EAT DINNER TOGETHER.
I'M GLAD THAT YOU'RE ALRIGHT

Kaede no Ma
I'M GLAD THAT YOU'RE ALRIGHT
OKAY... IT'S GOING SMOOTHLY
AH YOU CAN USE THE CHOP-STICKS
I'LL JUST USE THE DESSERT FORK
HE'S STILL...
SO CUTE, THIS GUY...!
Are you a Gay or what...?
SOMEHOW, I'VE BEEN SINGLE FOR A WHILE...
MY HEART JUST GOT A LITTLE SQUEEZE FROM SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
IT'S BEEN AWHILE SINCE I WAS TREATED LIKE A WOMAN.
The feminist?
HE IS THAT... PLUS,
IT'S DANGEROUS FOR A GIRL TO BE ALONE.

ISN'T THIS BAD?
MY HEART IS STARTING TO RACE!!
This is bad
This is bad!
RIGHT NOW, THEY'RE JUST ANSWERING EACH OTHER'S QUESTIONS POLITELY!
WORK HARD, SHURI-RIN!
Wow Sashimi is so tasty~
WELL... IT'S
OKAY, RIGHT...?
—THEY'RE "2 PEOPLE"
OVER THERE AS WELL, HUH—

FOR NOW,
DOES SHE HAVE A KNIFE?
CONCEN-TRATE, CONCEN-TRATE!
TSUKI

FIRST OF ALL, I HAVE TO CLEAR THE TARGETS
THAT ARE BEFORE MY EYES...

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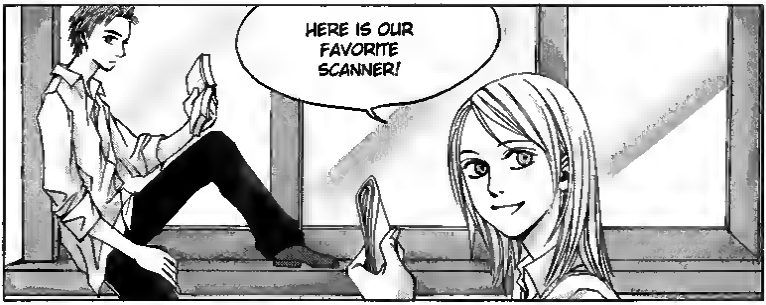

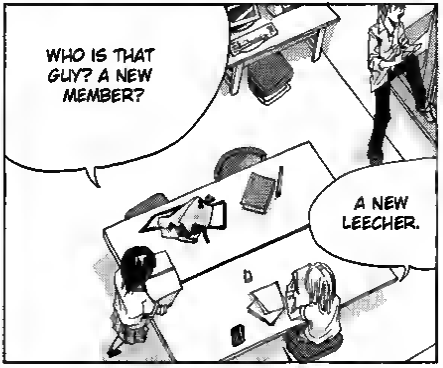

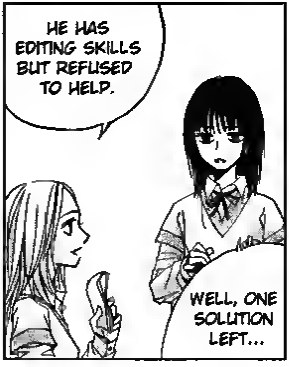

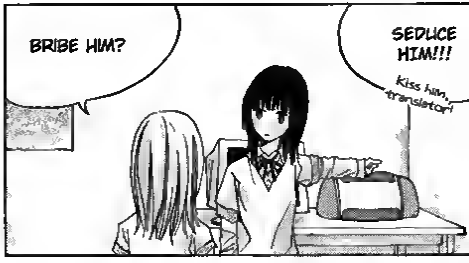

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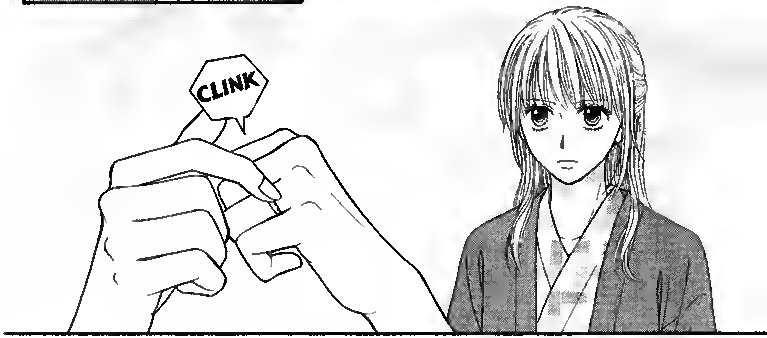
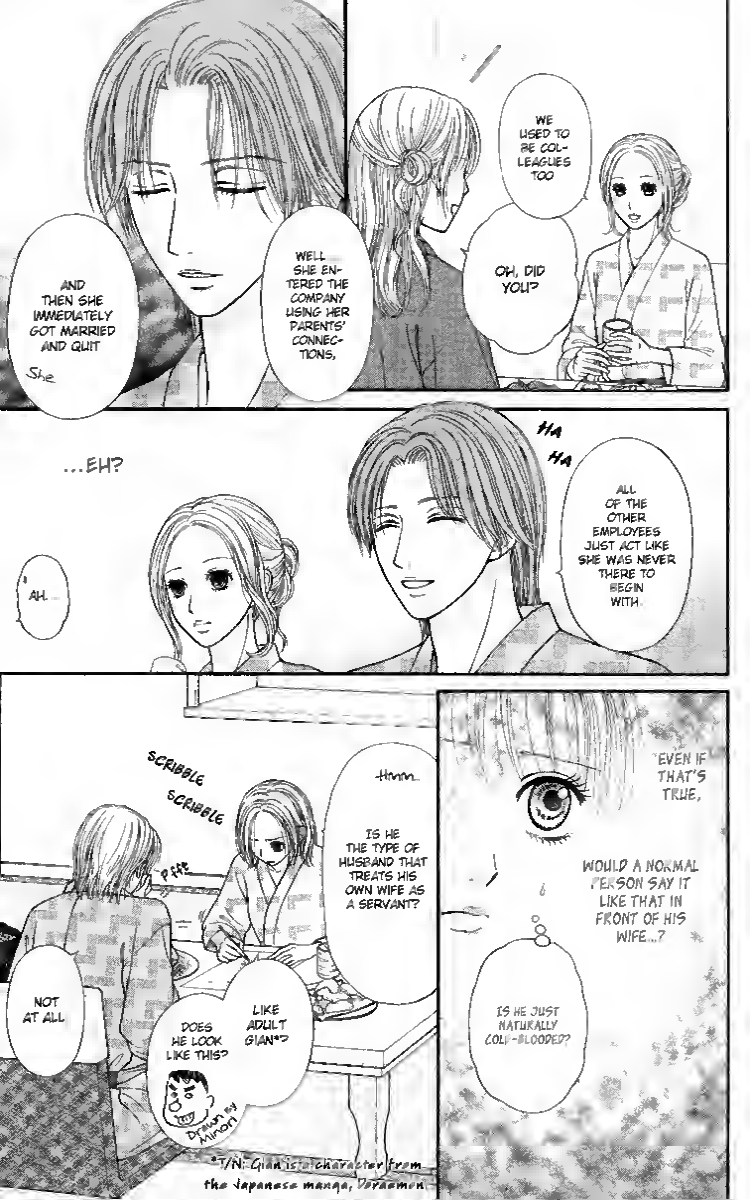
WAS SHINOTSUMA CARRYING A WEAPON?
SHUR-SAN, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

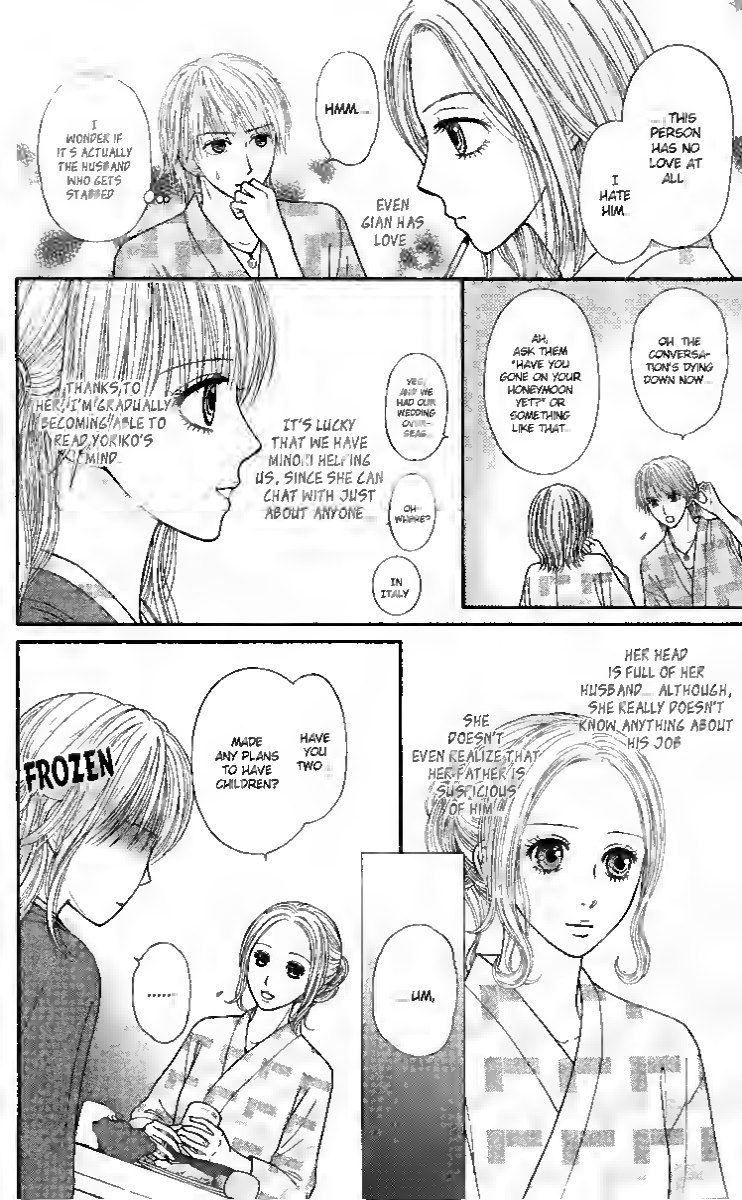

CLINK

"CLINK" LIKE THAT ONE TIME, IF EVERYTHING IS OKAY
GOT IT!
WAH, THIS SEEMS KINDA FUN ♪
SO, THERE REALLY IS QUITE A VARIETY OF BATHS HERE.
DO YOU COME TO THIS KIND OF PLACE OFTEN?
NO~ NOT AT ALL. THIS IS OUR FIRST TIME
THAT'S RIGHT...
BUT IT SEEMS THAT MY WIFE HAS PICKED OUT SOME PLACES WHERE SHE WANTS TO GO, SO...
AH, BUT YOU DO GO OUT TO DINNER TOGETHER OFTEN DON'T YOU?
I SAW THE TWO OF YOU THE OTHER DAY...
NO~ ACTUALLY THAT WAS OUR FIRST TIME SINCE WE GOT MARRIED
...YEAH.
EH? OH, IS THAT SO...?

...WE CAN'T HOLD A CONVERSATION LIKE THIS!!
HELP US MINORI SAN!!
WHY DON'T YOU ASK THEM ABOUT HOW THEY MET~?
You might not really be interested, but under these circumstances
WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE THEY CAN SAY "WE NEVER MET" OR SOMETHING~
THEIR FIRST MEETING!
UM,
HOW DID YOU TWO MEET EACH OTHER?
IRRITATED
——HOW ABOUT YOU?

WE MET EACH OTHER AT THE OFFICE
I USED TO WORK AT A CAFÉ IN THE COMPANY WHERE MY HUSBAND WORKS
OH-
PRESET☆MISHERS


WE USED TO BE COL-LEAGUES TOO
OH, DID YOU?
WELL... SHE EN-TERED THE COMPANY USING HER PARENTS' CONNEC-TIONS,
AND THEN SHE IMMEDIATELY GOT MARRIED AND QUIT
She
HA HA
ALL OF THE OTHER EMPLOYEES JUST ACT LIKE SHE WAS NEVER THERE TO BEGIN WITH.
...EH?
AH...
EVEN IF THAT'S TRUE,
WOULD A NORMAL PERSON SAY IT LIKE THAT IN FRONT OF HIS WIFE...?
IS HE JUST NATURALLY COLD-BLOODED?
SCRIBBLE SCRIBBLE
Hmm...
IS HE THE TYPE OF HUSBAND THAT TREATS HIS OWN WIFE AS A SERVANT?
NOT AT ALL
DOES HE LOOK LIKE THIS?
LIKE ADULT GIAN*?
Drawn by Mirori
*T/N: Gian is a character from the Japanese manga, Doraemon


I WONDER IF IT'S ACTUALLY THE HUSBAND WHO GETS STABBED
HMM...
EVEN GIAN HAS LOVE
...THIS PERSON HAS NO LOVE AT ALL
I HATE HIM.
THANKS TO HER, I'M GRADUALLY BECOMING ABLE TO READ YORIKO'S STATE OF MIND.
IT'S LUCKY THAT WE HAVE MINO-CHI HELPING US, SINCE SHE CAN CHAT WITH JUST ABOUT ANYONE...
YES, AND WE HAD OUR WEDDING OVER-SEAS
OH, WHERE?
IN ITALY
AH, ASK THEM "HAVE YOU GONE ON YOUR HONEYMOON YET?" OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
OH THE CONVERSATION'S DYING DOWN NOW...
FROZEN
HAVE YOU TWO... MADE ANY PLANS TO HAVE CHILDREN?
.....
...UM,
SHE DOESN'T EVEN REALIZE THAT HER FATHER IS SUSPICIOUS OF HIM
HER HEAD IS FULL OF HER HUSBAND... ALTHOUGH, SHE REALLY DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HIS JOB

Naturally...
WE'RE JUST LETTING NATURE TAKE ITS COURSE
IT'S APPEARED A RUDE QUESTION
WHAT ABOUT YOU?
"WE'RE JUST LETTING NATURE TAKE ITS COURSE. WHAT ABOUT YOU?"
Damn
Always
Liar!?
HURRY AND SAY "IS THAT SO..
WELL, FREELY SPENDING YOUR TIME ALONE WITH YOUR PARTNER IS NICE TOO ♥ AND CHANGE THE SUBJECT!
Avoiding the subject
Bastard
Enough
EH?!
I'M NOT GOOD WITH KIDS.
WE DON'T HAVE ANY PLANS FOR THAT...
AWW...
Why
At times like this
THIS IS THE FIRST I'VE HEARD ABOUT THIS.
SHE IS READY TO STAB HIM
O-OH, IS THAT SO
UM...
IT'S LIKE AN OYSTER'S SHELL'S BEEN PIERCED
Your true feelings?
OH, IT IS?
Say

SHURI, YOU BETTER STOP THERE.
DO YOU THINK THE HUSBAND IS SUPPOSED TO JUST DECIDE EVERYTHING BY HIMSELF?
AHH, NO...
YOU SHOULD CONSIDER YOUR WIFE'S OPINIONS TOO, SHOULDN'T YOU?
HEY, TAMAKO
WHY ARE YOU SO WORKED UP?
UGH..IT'S AWKWARD! THIS SITUATION IS REALLY AWKWARD!
SHURI, EXCUSE YOURSELF AND LEAVE FOR A BIT!
SAY YOU'RE GOING TO A SHOP OR TO THE TOILET.
YORIKO-SAN...
DO YOU WANT TO GO GET ICE CREAM WITH ME?
JELLYFISH SOFT-SERVE
¥120
I SAW SOMETHING CALLED "JELLYFISH SOFT-SERVE" AT A SHOP ON THE GROUND FLOOR.
UM SURE THAT SOUNDS APPEALING

WE'RE GOING TO GRAB SOMETHING TO EAT.
...

AHH... THAT SHIORI...
SHE SYMPATHIZES WITH PEOPLE IN THOSE SITUATIONS
EVEN THOUGH THAT'S NOT THE MAIN ISSUE.
OH, REALLY?
ISN'T THE MISSION "MAKE THE HUSBAND-WIFE RELATIONSHIP LOVEY-DOVEY ♥"?
THAT'S NOT IT AT ALL.

ALTHOUGH, IT'S BEST NOT TO TICK OFF THE WIFE. SO THERE'S NO NEED TO RUSH OVER THERE.
LET'S GO BACK TO TSUKI NO MA WHEN WE'RE DONE EATING.
OKAY

See doesn't this look fun?
JELLY-FISH SOFT-SERVE
¥120
MAYBE BUT IT DOESN'T "LOOK" LIKE IT'LL TASTE VERY GOOD
BUT HE DOESN'T CARE ABOUT HER AT ALL—
HER HUSBAND MEANS EVERYTHING TO HER,
HER PRESENCE IS IGNORED...
NOW SHE FEELS INSECURE AS IF EVERYTHING HAS BEEN SMASHED TO PIECES
I've had those feelings before too
I can't figure out which part is jellyfish
SEEMS LIKE IT'S JUST NORMAL ICE CREAM WITH NATA DE COCO?
IT SEEMS LIKE THEY'VE ADDED ALOE?
I'm not as oblivious as she is
Even though
*T/N: NATA DE COCO IS A JELLY-LIKE SUBSTANCE MADE FROM THE FERMENTATION OF COCONUT
A cold person
Inner thoughts that weren't understood
—Feelings that went unheard...

I GUESS THAT'S WHY...
(ALTHOUGH BLUNT QUESTIONS ARE TROUBLESOME)
SOMEHOW I FEEL LIKE I CAN'T LEAVE HER ALONE
HMM. NOT HALF BAD
YEAH. IT'S GOOD
SOMETIMES I'M A BOTHER TO OTHERS.
Don't text me anymore
It's annoying
And
Many
Ended friendships with me...
—EARLIER AT THE BATH I'M SORRY FOR THAT
EH?
I KEPT ON TALKING WITHOUT NOTICING THAT YOU WEREN'T FEELING WELL...
I SEEM TO HAVE A TENDENCY TO NOT NOTICE WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND ME.
EH, WHY ARE YOU APOLOGIZING?
I WAS THE ONE ASKING QUESTIONS IN THE FIRST PLACE.
YORIKO-SAN,
YOU SEEM TO HAVE A LOT OF THINGS ON YOUR MIND.

Eeh?!
So considerate..?!
Eh..
EVEN THOUGH ALL I CAN DO IS LISTEN.
AND THERE ARE SOME TOPICS THAT I'M NOT VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE IN.
IF YOU'D LIKE...
YOU'RE WELCOME TO SHARE THEM WITH ME.
Tama!
Hey!
I'll throw these out, too!
Ah, thank you.
I-
I'M GOING TO GET SOME TEA!
What do I do?
I'm happy
I'm so happy
I'll
be brave
...THANK YOU..
it's great
coming here
Tamako-san
A good person
HE'S DRINKING IN HIS ROOM. I JUST SAID I WAS GOING TO THE BATH AGAIN AND LEFT.
DON'T ACT ON YOUR OWN LIKE THAT.
Tea
HOW'S SHINO-ZAWA?
SORRY PLEASE. GIVE ME ANOTHER 30 MINUTES

Geez, treating all women like idiots...
Seems everyone is like that...
You should just get stabbed
...EEH...
Her mood suddenly changed...?
—I JUST NEED 30 MINUTES EXCUSE ME.
BOOP
She turned it off!!
AH!
?!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY "AFTER ALL"?
...FROM THE WAY SHE REACTED EARLIER I CAN TELL THAT THE WIFE DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING AFTER ALL
—ANYWAY
I HAVE TO FIND HER A GOOD PLACE TO HEAR SR NOZAWA'S MINE OTHER THAN HIS ROOM
light
stepping
GEEZ, THAT GIRL..
SIGH
SHE PUTS TOO MUCH OF HERSELF INTO THE INVESTIGATION, FAINTS AND SNAPS AT ME FOR WARNING HER

TSUKI NO M
IT'S DISCONNECTED
The microphone
Yeah, I'LL STAY HERE TO WAIT FOR THE NEXT INSTRUCTIONS
IT'S OKAY, YOU CAN GO AND HAVE FUN IF YOU WANT
Why don't you go take a bath?
HEY...
HONESTLY YOU'RE REALLY WORRIED ABOUT THEM HAVING TO PLAY A MARRIED COUPLE AREN'T YOU?
.....
UM... THAT GUY, NIJIHARA... HE SEEMS LIKE A REALLY SCARY PERSON, HUH?
HMM?
...WELL, HE IS PRETTY HARSH WHEN HE SPEAKS TO FEMALES...
SO FROM A WOMAN'S POINT OF VIEW HE MIGHT SEEM SCARY, BUT...
FOR ME, HE'S A RELIABLE SEMPAI.

...Oh... relax...
NO, DON'T TRUST HIM!!
HE'S CAPABLE AT WORK AND VERY STRONG.
HE'S SO COOL.
IF I WERE A GIRL, I MIGHT EVEN FALL FOR HIM ♡
GRRRR
SOMEONE PLEASE TELL HIM THE TRUTH!!
Ahahaha
Or something like that.

*PR/N. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Midas

*T/N: HTTP://EN.WIKIPEDIA.ORG/WIKI/SHOCHU

NON-STOP TALKING
IT'S MORE LIKE HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY EMOTIONS TO BEGIN WITH
I DON'T THINK HE DOES IT MALICIOUSLY
SO. HE'S ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THAT
BECAUSE I'M THE ONE DRINKING!!
WHAT?! I'M PAYING!
I guess it's okay then...?
Oh, IS THAT SO...?
AS I SAID BEFORE
I ONCE EMPLOYED A PRIVATE DETECTIVE AGENCY TO DO A BACKGROUND CHECK ON HIM. AT THAT TIME...
I'm happy
She understands me
LIGHTS UP
Happy!
SHE'S A LITTLE OVERLY HAPPY
Happy
So happy
I'm happy
I'VE KNOWN THAT SORT OF PERSON BEFORE TOO...
YES I TOTALLY UNDERSTAND!
DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY?

A TESTIMONY BY A CHILDHOOD ACQUAINTANCE OF HIS...
REVEALED THAT HE WAS MISTREATED BY HIS PARENTS WHEN HE WAS A CHILD.
ABUSE.
SO I MET UP WITH THAT PERSON AND ASKED ABOUT MY HUSBAND
PUTTING ASIDE PHYSICAL ABUSE.
HIS PARENTS DIDN'T EVEN GIVE HIM ENOUGH MEALS. THEY JUST IGNORED HIM, BASICALLY.
IT SEEMS THAT HE WAS TERRIBLY NEGLECTED
I JUST CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY PEOPLE LIKE THAT WOULD HAVE A CHILD.
.YEAH.
DO YOU KNOW WHAT A "SILENT BABY" IS?
---YEAH. SORT OF
IT'S... A BABY WHO DOESN'T CRY, RIGHT?

IF NO MATTER HOW MUCH THEY CRY AND SHOUT THEY DON'T GET ANY HELP
BUT IF NO ONE COMES NO MATTER HOW MUCH THEY CRY
IF THAT HAPPENS THE BABY GIVES UP AND STOPS CRYING ALTOGETHER.
"MY BODY HURTS" "HUG ME"
"I'M HUNGRY" "CHANGE MY DIAPER"
IS BECAUSE THEY WANT SOMEONE TO DO SOMETHING FOR THEM
THE REASON THAT BABIES CRY
WHEN IT REACHES THAT POINT, THE BABY STOPS EXPRESSING ANYTHING AT ALL, AND IT BECOMES KNOWN AS A "SILENT BABY"
OF COURSE IT DOESN'T LAUGH EITHER
HE PROBABLY GREW UP ALWAYS BEING LIKE THAT...
THAT'S HOW HE WAS...
HE WAS BASICALLY A SILENT CHILD
THE ACQUAINTANCE I SPOKE WITH SAID THAT BACK THEN, HIS EYES WERE DEVOID OF EMOTION, LIKE THEY WERE MADE OF GLASS
ALTHOUGH SINCE HE HAS ENTERED SOCIETY, HE'S LEARNED TO FAKE A SMILE TO MAKE OTHER PEOPLE HAPPY
.....

*T/N: AN EMOTIONLESS PERSON IS OFTEN REFERRED TO AS HAVING GLASS-LIKE EYES (LIKE A DOLL)

No
PLEASE EXCUSE ME...
EH?!
THAT MADE YOU CRY??
Really?
BUT THERE ARE NO EMOTIONS UNDER THAT SMILE.
——IT'S BECAUSE
THAT STORY...
SHAKE SHAKE
TAMAKO-SAN...
YOU'RE SO KIND-HEARTED
IT'S SO SIMILAR...
REALLY IS LIKE...
THAT PERSON INTO WHOSE ABYSS I GLIMPSED THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY...

— SOMETHING...
TRAVELED BACK LIKE A FLASH TO THE TIME WHEN HE WAS AN INFANT...
IT WAS LIKE TIME WAS REVERSING...
MY CONSCIOUSNESS
—PERHAPS
I TOOK TOO MUCH OF THE POTION?
IT MAKES ME FEEL LIKE I'M ALMOST...
LOSING CONSCIOUSNESS...
HE GAVE UP
AND LOST HIS HEART...
HE CRIED AND CRIED, UNTIL HE WAS TOO TIRED TO SHOUT ANYMORE
AND EVENTUALLY HE REALIZED THAT NO ONE WOULD SAVE HIM
EVEN IF HIS LIFE WAS IN DANGER
Ba-dump
Ba-dump
A REALLY TERRIBLE STATE
Ba-dump

——EVER SINCE HE WAS VERY YOUNG.

HIS HEART HAS BEEN EMPTY...

PROBABLY...
ANYONE IS OKAY WITH HIM AS LONG AS THEY DON'T GET IN HIS WAY
BUT I'M FINE WITH THAT.
EVEN IF THAT'S THE CASE, FOR ME, HE IS...
I FEEL THAT HE IS.
THE BEST MAN
IN THE WORLD.
I'M SORRY
TO BE TELLING YOU THINGS LIKE THAT
You even cried.
BUT I FEEL KIND OF REFRESHED NOW...
THANK YOU TAMAKO-SAN
NO.. I did nothing
EVEN THOUGH HE'S BEING [illegible] SO DEEPLY...
IF ONLY HE COULD PROPERLY RESPOND TO THIS LOVE...
THAT [illegible] BE

AH, WAIT A MOMENT
I'M GOING TO CHECK UP ON HER

IS SOMETHING WRONG?
ARE YOU LEAVING ME BY MYSELF?
EH?

SHURI-SAN STILL HAS HER MICRO-PHONE OFF

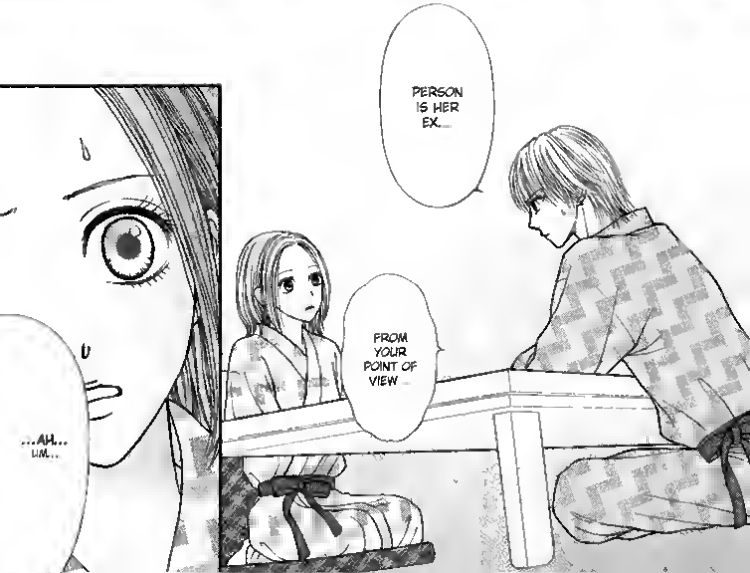
UGH!
SHURI SHURI SHURI SHURI! HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU SAID HER NAME ALREADY?!
EH
DID I SAY THAT MUCH...?

...YOU'RE DRUNK
YOU'VE HAD ENOUGH
GEEZ!

I'LL BE SO~ LONELYYYY
HI CUP

ARE THINGS GOING WELL BETWEEN YOU AND SHIRI?
GOING WELL?
I MEAN SHE... CAN'T DO IT, RIGHT?
HEY!
Well, actually we've slowly progressed to a pretty good stage
WHAT ARE YOU GETTING ME TO SAY?! GEEZ!
YOU'RE QUITE RUDE TOO!!
I'M NOT GOING TO ANSWER THE QUESTIONS OF A DRUNK!
SHE CAN'T DO IT, YOU KNOW.
SHE STILL HASN'T OVERCOME A SORT OF FEAR
FROM THE TIME SHE WAS WITH HER EX.
I
BECAUSE.

.....
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE UNLESS SHE GETS FAST THAT, ISN'T IT?
...HEY, MINOTA-SAN.
WHAT KIND OF...
HEAT?


PERSON IS HER EX...
FROM YOUR POINT OF VIEW...
...AH... UM...

HO-
HOLD IT RIGHT THERE!
FORGET IT
YOU'RE DRUNK
Misfire
— NO, WAIT
...ACTUALLY
INHALE
Barber
HICCUP!
!!
WHY DON'T YOU LET ME SOOTHE THAT PAIN?!
HOW DID IT BECOME
!?
MINORI-SAN... YOUR CLOTHES
I MEAN,
NO I THINK... THIS IS THE LOGICAL THING TO DO
HICCUP
ARE YOU RUNNING AWAY?
I UNDERSTAND YOUR PAIN IT MUST BE HARD NOT BEING ABLE TO SLEEP WITH SHURI
HEH
Let meee GOOO!!
YOUR CLOTHES ARE CAUSING TROUBLE MINORI-SAN!!

HICCUP
C'mon,
WHAT'S THE PROBLEM? DON'T THINK ABOUT IT SO MUCH
YIKES! THIS DRUNK IS OUT OF CONTROL!!
BESIDES, I HAPPEN TO BE LONELY TOO!
Stop it...!
Minori-san, please cover up!!
EH...
...?
NOT FAIR...
THAT WAS TOO SLY...
BIG BOOBS ARE TOO SLY!!
SLAM
Sigh
I WAVERED FOR A MOMENT...
Th-
THAT WAS CLOSE
CLICK
NO NO NO NO!!
ABSOLUTELY NO WAY!!
DASH
Tch
HE RAN AWAY

I LOVE THEM—!!!
BUT... BOOBS!
WOBBLE
DAMN... THEY'RE JUST BOOBS
WOBBLE
DOOM
BONK
PULL
...WHAT STUPID CRAP ARE YOU YELLING ...?!
I've never seen anyone so moronic!
...I'M SORRY...
I lost my head.

HEY, HOW MUCH DO YOU WEIGH?
AROUND 56 KG NOW... I think?
(175cm)
YOU'RE LIGHT.
I MAINLY EAT SPROUTS.
I'M PRACTICALLY A SPROUT MYSELF
I'LL LEND YOU MY SHOULDER
YOU'RE GOING TO PUT THAT ON THE WINDOW SILL.
I'll give it a try!
THAT'S OUR TARGET'S ROOM, RIGHT?
HERE.
Oh.
A BUG?!
Beep
— IT'S OTOKAWA. I'M NOT WITH YORIKO ANY MORE.
Stunning
WHERE ARE YOU NOW?
I'm together with a dork.
Mesmerized
I'M STANDING BY THE PUBLIC PHONE IN THE EAST HALLWAY OF THE GROUND FLOOR
WE'RE NEARBY WE'LL BE RIGHT THERE,
so don't leave.

PHONE
YORIKO WENT BACK TO HER ROOM
WHERE'S SHINO-ZAWA?
I GUESS HE'S GONE TO THE BATH AGAIN. HE WAS GOING TOWARDS THERE. AT LEAST
I'LL CALL YOU WHEN HE'S BACK, SO GET SOME OF THE POTION READY.
OKAY
※ He's pretending to be someone else (*Å*)
PHONE
AH, YOUTA, DID MINORI DRINK?
Li-Lim
SHE DRANK A LITTLE..
Well, actually a lot ?
IS- IS THAT SO...
SHE ALSO TENDS TO ATTACK GUYS WHEN SHE DOESN'T HAVE A BOYFRIEND
SHE CAN GET REALLY OUT OF CONTROL WHEN SHE DRINKS SO BE CAREFUL
It's too late Shunnn
TSUKI NO MA STAFF

CLICK
STEP
SHOW MY WAY
KUBO KUN ? RIKI-SAN ?
...HM?
QUICK!!
Snore
EHP
Hmm
SHOCK
Snore
!?
WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?!
— NO, YOU'RE NOT HEY!!

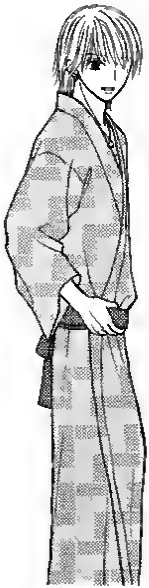
Excuse me!
Never mind then
AH..?
Oh
I'M SORRY..
I GOT THE WRONG ROOM!
I must have drunk too much
Look who's talking
Zzz
ROLL
Ha ha
Geez~ what a drunk...
SLAM
SLIDE
SHUT
AH.
YEAH
DID YOU TAKE ANOTHER BATH?
THAT IS THE WOMAN WHO HELPED HER AT THE BATH?
THEY'RE ALREADY THAT FRIENDLY WITH EACH OTHER?
Dammit
SHE DIDN'T SEE MY FACE DID SHE?

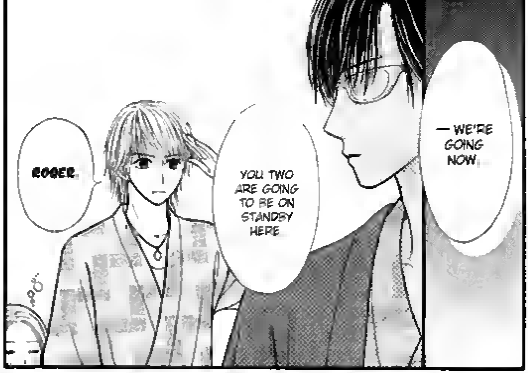
ABOUT EARLIER... I'M SORRY
.....
SAYING THOSE THINGS... IN FRONT OF OTHER PEOPLE
...SAYING WHAT THINGS?
I'VE ALREADY FORGOTTEN
SLIDE
THE DOOR ISN'T LOCKED...
IS MINORI-SAN OUT?
TSUKI NO MA
CLICK
HM?
OH, SHE'S HERE...
Sleeping
MINORI!!!!
ZZZ

NO, I LOCKED IT!
HASN'T IT BEEN UNLOCKED THE WHOLE TIME?
WHA? I DIDN'T.
DID YOU UNLOCK THE DOOR?
A DRUNK MAN CAME IN HERE?
while I was sleeping.
—Ehhh?!
I WAS IN A HURRY, BUT I DID LOCK IT!
SINCE MINORI-SAN WAS SO OUT OF CONTROL, I THOUGHT "AHH, I HAVE TO LOCK THE DOOR!"
NO WAY~ BECAUSE NOT LONG AGO...
I FOUND IIIIT!!
...HUH?
!?
Are...
ARE YOU SURE?!!
That's too cruel...
WHEN I REALIZED HE WAS HERE,
HE SAID "I'M SORRY, I GOT THE WRONG ROOM".

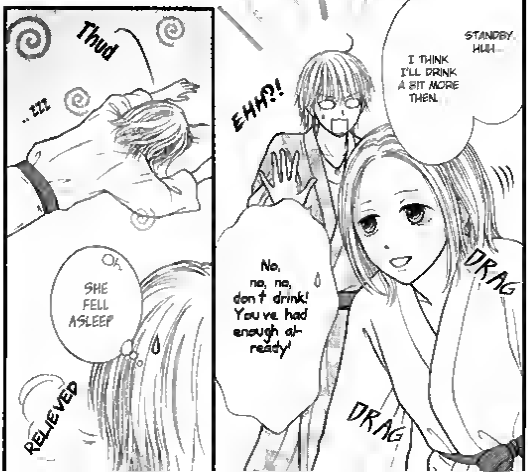
A key
IS SOMETHING WRONG?
To this room..
AH NO IT'S NOTHING!
Thank God
I can't tell our guests.
It's already been found, so just play dumb!
You found it?
PLEASE EXCUSE OUR DISTURBANCE
!
!
THE STAFF HERE IS REALLY...
Otherwise we'll get a serious complaint!!
EH...
IT SEEMS THAT A STAFF KEY TO THIS ROOM WAS MISSING
AND THEY JUST FOUND IT
In that vase there.
...DID YOU SEE HIS FACE?
SOMEONE... SNUCK INTO THE ROOM WITH THAT KEY...?
Why?
NO I JUST CAUGHT A GLIMPSE.
OH BUT COME TO THINK OF IT
I DID RECOGNIZE HIS VOICE, SO MAYBE I'VE HEARD IT SOMEWHERE. THAT HUSKY TONE...
OH RIGHT! IT'S ADULT GIAN!!
IT SOUNDED VERY MUCH LIKE THE MAN YOU'RE INVESTIGATING
?!

I'LL CALL HIM.
WON'T IT BE DANGER-OUS...?
IT'LL BE FINE
...NOW...
WE SHOULD GO FIND HIM.
—YEAH
I'LL PROTECT HER TRUST ME
I WANT TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT BUSINESS
OKAY THEN, SEE YOU IN 15 MINUTES
IN THE HALF PRIVATE ROOM IN THE LOUNGE ON THE GROUND FLOOR.
—Yes
THE MAIN CHARACTER IGNORING IT ALL
GULP
SHINOZAWA-SAN? THIS IS HARADA
...So touch-ing ♡
Why are you so touch-ey!?
Slap




— WE'RE GOING NOW.
YOU TWO ARE GOING TO BE ON STANDBY HERE.
ROGER.
POI

BE CAREFUL!


STANDBY, HUH...
I THINK I'LL DRINK A BIT MORE THEN.
EHH?!
DRAG
No, no, no, don't drink! You've had enough already!
DRAG
Thud
...zzz
Oh, SHE FELL ASLEEP
RELIEVED

GAG
DOES IT TASTE BAD?
WELL, I CAN'T SAY IT'S GOOD...
DO YOU WANT TO TRY READING ME...
JUST TO MAKE SURE THIS DOSAGE WORKS ..?
EH...
IT'S... OKAY..
YOU... BETTER READ MY MIND AS A TRIAL.
I DON'T LIKE HAVING MY MIND READ...
BUT IF YOU FAINT IN FRONT OF THE ENEMY,
THAT WOULD BE EVEN MORE TROUBLESOME FOR ME
....
OKAY.
Well then.

— AHH...
"IS IT REALLY OKAY TO LET HER GO..."
ME
Should I stop her
No I have to let her go
I need her
To go
"WILL IT REALLY BE OKAY...?"
AS I THOUGHT, HE'S NOT VERY WORDY...
BUT I'M STILL GETTING SOME THINGS
I CAN TELL—
"WILL SHE BE ALL RIGHT"
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T/N: THE ARCHERFISH IS THERE BECAUSE HE'S THINKING OF WATER (FROM HER TEARS) ITS METHOD OF CATCHING PREY IS TO SHOOT IT DOWN WITH WATER (SO A FISH IN THE WATER CAN SHOOT DOWN INSECTS ABOVE THE WATER)

— WHH-
SHOVE
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
NO.
I JUST THOUGHT...
THAT YOU MIGHT FAINT AGAIN.
I'M OKAY!

I THINK BEING ABLE TO READ AT THIS LEVEL WILL BE ENOUGH.
IT'S CLOSED NOW.
YOU READY?
I AM.
MOMENTARILY
I THOUGHT MY HEART WAS GOING TO STOP.
BUT, THE FEELING THAT I HAD ALWAYS APPEARED BEFORE
THE PARALYZING FEAR THAT WOULD OVERCOME ME WHENEVER I GOT NEAR HIM...
IT DIDN'T SEEM TO APPEAR
THIS
IS IT A GOOD THING
OR A BAD THING...

—HM?
I'M SORRY,
MY HUSBAND GOT SICK ALL OF A SUDDEN...
UM... YOU KNOW, HIS STOMACH IS KIND OF IRRITABLE...
I DON'T KNOW—
LOUNGE
SHINOZAWA-SAN!
—AH—
Ah
Toilet...
HE SHOULD BE HERE SOON THOUGH
—I CAN READ HIS MIND—
Well
What am I gonna do...
Doesn't matter
I BOUGHT SOME COLD TEA.
WOULD YOU LIKE IT? SORRY THAT IT'S JUST CANNED TEA THOUGH
O-OH THANK YOU
—EH ?!
I wanted to listen to
what she has to say anyway

I MAINLY DRAW UP PROJECTS.
!!
SO THAT'S HOW IT IS...!!
EARLIER—
HE WAS THE ONE WHO STOLE THAT KEY
HE WAS GOING TO BUG OUR ROOM—?!
WHY?!
SO HE IS—!!
IS SOMETHING WRONG?
YOU'VE GOT AN ODD EXPRESSION.
It's strange
Strange
THAT I BROKE INTO THEIR ROOM EARLIER...
Was I exposed?!
Eh, oh, IT'S NOTHING...
Right. that woman must have recognized me—
UM...
DAMMIT!!
U-UM...
SHINOZAWA-SAN
WHY WOULD A NORMAL WHITE-COLOR WORKER DO ALL THIS—
WHAT KIND OF WORK DO YOU DO AT YOUR COMPANY?

!!
YANK
UM, I...
I'LL GO CHECK UP ON MY HUSBAND NOW.
—BE QUIET...
YOU...
ARE NOT HARADA-SAN'S WIFE, RIGHT...?

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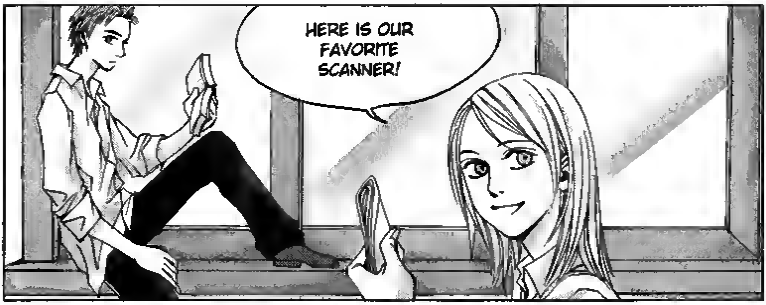

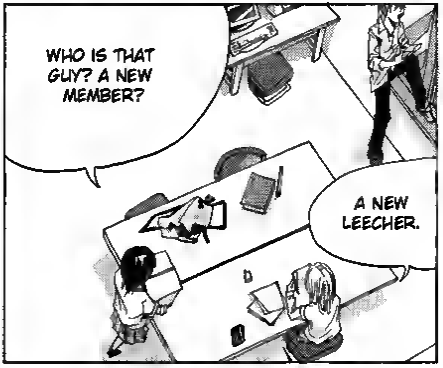

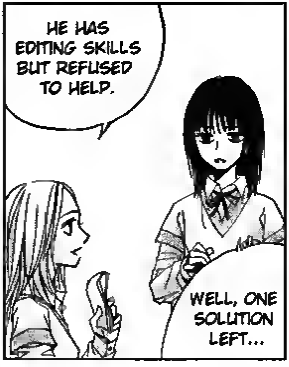

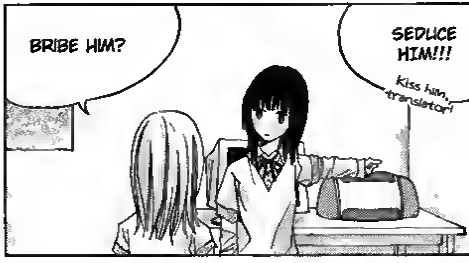

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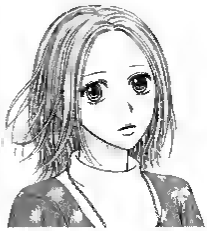
HAS HE FOUND OUT ABOUT US?!
!!
HOW MUCH
WHEN I FIRST MET YOU
THERE WAS A DETECTIVE OFFICE NEARBY— YOU WORK THERE, DON'T YOU?
SO DOES HARADA-SAN ..
HARADA-SAN,
YOU'RE FROM AROUND HERE, AREN'T YOU..?
...



AH,
HE FINALLY CAME...
I'M SORRY.
IT WASN'T SUPPOSED TO BE LIKE THIS...
I FAILED
NOW THAT IT'S COME TO THIS I'LL ASK YOU DIRECTLY.
HARADA-SAN, WHAT...

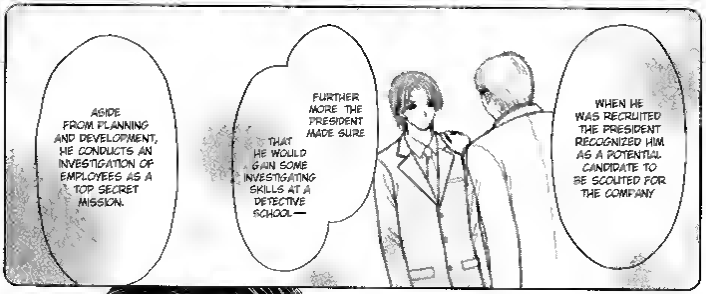
—ANSWER ME!!
IT'S HIM.
Shit
Shuri..
IT'S NOT MY FATHER-IN-LAW.
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO DO?
ON THE REQUEST OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR...?
IT MUST BE HIM.
Will it be heard?
GASP
No. Tamaki
SHAKE
SHAKE
NO
THIS PERSON IS
What about your stun gun?! Can't you take it out?!
HARADA-SAN?
IF YOU DON'T ANSWER...
WHAT SHOULD I DO?

Thud
?!
...UNH!
KATTLE
DASH
STOMP
CLATTER
ROLL
WHACK

I COULDN'T STAY STILL, WORRYING ABOUT YOU.
SORRY.
MY SUPER SPECIAL DART! ☆
*He's just put a small ball on it (for when he doesn't want to injure people)
No, THANK YOU.
Oops! daisy
KATTLE
THUD
WHAT'S WITH HIM...
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
YEAH.
Bam
COUGH
—YOU TOO
IF YOU DON'T TELL ME WHAT YOU WANT——
RIKI-SAN!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO THAT FAR!

BAM!
PUNCH
GAHK
EH!
HE ISN'T THE EVIL PERSON YOU THINK HE IS!
HE WASN'T GOING TO STAB ME ANYWAY
YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO HIT HIM
...TOO LATE TO SAY THAT NOW
FAINTED
My noisy friends were just joking around
Aah. It's fine.
Is there something wrong?!
—EH.
Tsuki no Ma*
*TN = THE MOON ROOM

HE'S IN CHARGE OF A SECTION.
HE'S THE SECTION CHIEF AT THE COMPANY, H. L. PLANNING.
BUT HE CAN'T BE AN EXPERT, YOU KNOW...
YEAH.
WHAT BOTH OF US?
IS HE AN INVESTIGATOR, TOO...?!


ASIDE FROM PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, HE CONDUCTS AN INVESTIGATION OF EMPLOYEES AS A TOP SECRET MISSION.
FURTHER MORE THE PRESIDENT MADE SURE THAT HE WOULD GAIN SOME INVESTIGATING SKILLS AT A DETECTIVE SCHOOL—
WHEN HE WAS RECRUITED THE PRESIDENT RECOGNIZED HIM AS A POTENTIAL CANDIDATE TO BE SCOUTED FOR THE COMPANY

.....
HE SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN SPYING ON THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND A SECRET AGENT, HARADA WHO WAS HIRED BY HIM...
—RECENTLY UNDER DIRECT ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT.

A spy spying on another spy
Hmm
THEN...
WE HAD BEEN SPYING ON EACH OTHER...

DAMMIT...
SOMEHOW
I HAD A FEELING THAT SOMETHING WAS WRONG WE COULDN'T FIND ANYTHING SO...

You can't be serious
She respects that old bat?
.....
I HAPPENED TO READ HIS CONFLICTED EMOTIONS SINCE HE DIDN'T WANT TO SUSPECT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
And
HE UNEXPECTEDLY...
ADORES THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

TAMA, YOU HAVEN'T MET THIS CLIENT, RIGHT?
NO... I WAS AWAY WHEN WE TOOK UP THE JOB.
—IS IT... EVEN RATIONAL TO SUSPECT THE CLIENT?
SHOULD I SEE HIM?
YEAH
UGH...
—LILIGGGHH...
COUGH
CAN YOU SEE HIM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE...? HOW ABOUT TOMORROW?
THAT WOULD BE FINE.
AH, IT HURTS..
He's awake
Ooh,
YOU KNOCKED ME OUT WITH ONE BLOW, HARADA-SAN.
Ugh. My stomach feels strange.
YOU MUST BE A GREAT FIGHTER, I SUPPOSE
Ouch.
SHIONOZAWA-SAN.

SO YOU WERE SCOUTED BY THE COMPANY ON REQUEST OF THE PRESIDENT HIMSELF?
WHEN DID HE FIND OUT THAT MUCH...
AND YOU—
They are still grumbling
DON'T BELONG TO ANY SECRET SERVICES. YOU'RE FROM THAT DETECTIVE OFFICE, AREN'T YOU...?
THAT TIME WHEN WE MET HIM NEAR THE OFFICE. IT WASN'T JUST A COINCIDENCE...? DAMMIT
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.
ANYWAY, WE ARE GOING TO RECONSIDER THIS MATTER.
IS THAT SO... WE'LL...
NO LONGER BE FOES THEN?
I'LL HAVE TO WAIT AND OBSERVE YOUR CONDUCT...
FOR NOW, I'LL REFRAIN FROM REPORTING TO THE PRESIDENT.
I MEAN, I CAN'T DO THAT. NOT WITH THE CURRENT SITUATION.

HARADA-SAN...
PLEASE FORGIVE MY RUDENESS TO YOUR DEAR ONE
—ANYWAYS,
NEVER MIND
Hm?
DOES HE STILL THINK I'M HARADA'S WIFE? OR S HE JUST MOCKING US?
Ysp
Ysp
WE ALL CARE ABOUT SHUICHI KUN!
ZZZ
THE MEMBERS OF OFFICE S (PLUS A DRUNKARD)
HAD TO LEAVE THE INN EARLIER THAN THEY EXPECTED..
I could go back by motorcycle.
You mind?
Come on walk!

AND THE HARADA COUPLE HAD TO GO HOME EARLY.
ACTUALLY SOMETHING URGENT CAME UP...
YEAH...

ARE YOU DONE WITH THE BUSINESS TALK?
AH.

ALL RIGHT.
I'M TIRED... GOOD NIGHT.
HEY.
I WAS GOING TO ASK FOR HER CONTACT NUMBER TOMORROW!!
T-THEY LEFT?! ALREADY?!
EH, WHAT?!
I WAS ASKED TO SEND THEIR REGARDS TO YOU, BY MRS. HARADA.
YEAH... SEEMS IT WAS URGENT.
BUT... PLEASE,
I'M AFRAID THIS IS NONE OF MY BUSINESS...
UM...
I BET——
HARADA WAS JUST KIDDING...
SO YOU SHOULDN'T LEAVE KNIVES WITH THEM.
Heh.
YOU SEE SOMETIMES WOMEN STAB THEIR OWN HUSBANDS.
YEAH, RIGHT.
TRY TO CONSIDER MORE ABOUT YORIKO-SAN'S FEELINGS...

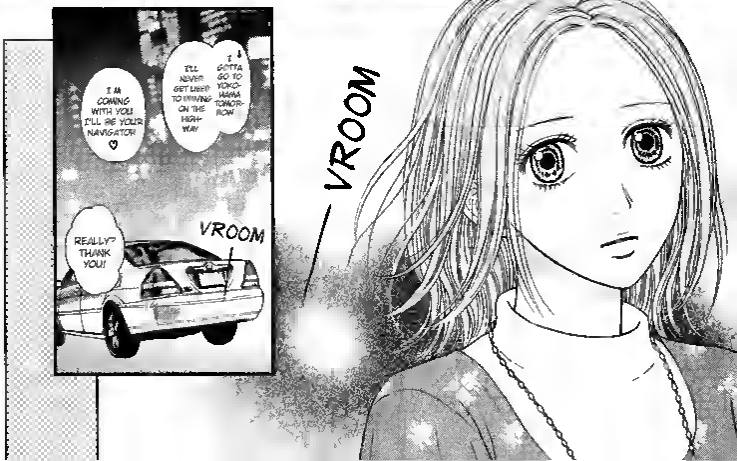
I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT THAT WOMAN WAS TALKING ABOUT
SHE SAID, "TRY TO CONSIDER MORE ABOUT YORIKO'S FEELINGS"
THAT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE—
Z
Z
z
A SUDDEN DEVELOPMENT?! SHOOT, I MISSED IT!!
WE HAD A SUDDEN DEVELOPMENT AND CAME HOME
OH? WHERE AM I?
IT'S YOUR APARTMENT.
EH
I DIDN'T KNOW THAT YOU CAN TELEPORT PEOPLE AS WELL!
WHO'D COULD DO THAT?
Come on MINORI!!!, HURRY UP!
Hmm

?
I'M SORRY FOR FOLLOWING YOU SECRETLY...
NO, I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THAT...
HM? Are you angry?
MINORI-SAN...?
She always finds it out in no time...
I can't hide anything from Shun-rin...
SORRY, SORRY!
YOU MEAN KURO-KUN, RIGHT?! YEAH, I ATTACKED HIM!
AH... AAHH—'' YEAH, YEAH
I GOTTA FIND A BOYFRIEND PRETTY QUICKLY!
——HOLD ON
You dogafus!
Knock it out already!!
Guys will be gunned!
Why don't you try it, woman?
Hey!
Go to sleep already!
I DON'T REMEMBER WHEN IT WAS, BUT YOU ATTACKED EVEN ME...IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG?
HMMM, THIS IS NO GOOD. AM I FRUSTRATED OR SOMETHING?

STILL HAS A THING FOR YOTA

I SUSPECT MINORI

AND IF I TRIED TO READ HER MIND...


I'M COMING WITH YOU! I'LL BE YOUR NAVIGATOR ♡
I'LL NEVER GET USED TO DRIVING ON THE RIGHT-WAY
I GOTTA GO TO YOKOHAMA TOMORROW
REALLY? THANK YOU!
VROOM
VROOM

IN YOKOHAMA,
AT A CERTAIN HOTEL LOUNGE —
THE FOLLOWING DAY
NICE TO MEET YOU
I'M KOBAYASHI, A SECRETARY FROM OFFICE S
TODAY, WE ARE VISITING YOU TO DISCUSS THE TIME PERIOD FOR THE INVEST-IGATION
Too young
Is she a secretary
LET'S GET STRAIGHT TO THE POINT
Guess Yoriko's age
WE HEARD THAT YOU REQUIESTED US TO SET UP A TIME LIMIT. HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO...
She wasn't there when I first re-quested them
THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION PROCEDURE WE PURSUANT A CONTRACT
YEAH THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN
Client,
Toshio Saiga (Age 55)

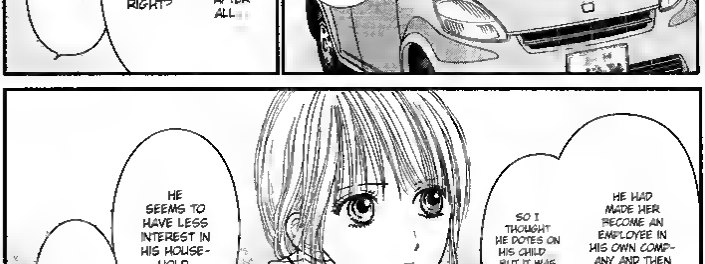
It's better to pay them off and dismiss them (I should get the price down as much as possible...)
I hired him just for a trial, but he is carrying things too far.
He is
Enough.
THAT HE'S —
WE UNDERSTAND
WE'LL REWRITE THE ESTIMATE RIGHT AWAY—
YEAH I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU THEN
VERY DANGEROUS
BUT WITH NO ILL INTENTIONS
I can set him up in a trap.
If only they could find his weak point...
mishaps in his personal life whatsoever...
Shinozawa's faults at work or
—I KNOW
...Just like I did to Kimoto.

I got to know her at the school club activities back then.
Is she doing well?
IS SHE STILL WORRIED ABOUT THE WIFE ?
READING HIS MIND FOR HIS DAUGHTER'S INFORMATION
She sure is a meddler
YEAH, SHE'S MARRIED NOW.
EEH!
OH, IS THAT SO?
I'M ACQUAINTED WITH MISS YORIKO SAIGA.
YES, I DO.
PARDON ME FOR MY RUDENESS. BUT DO YOU HAVE A DAUGHTER BY ANY CHANCE, MR. SAIGA?
HE IS CONNECTED WITH SOMEONE CALLED EBI, AND PROBABLY THE MASTERMIND BEHIND THE WHOLE CASE
SAIGA IS SELLING THE INFORMATION
PRE-SIDENT SAIGA IS A RING-LEADER.
ANYWAY
DAMN OLD FART..!!
SAIGA... THAT...
HE'S ABOUT TO TRANS FORM INTO SOME THING BAD!
Godzilla?
HE'S GETTING MAD!
The atmosphere is dark!
NO I SAW HIM AT A BUSINESS ENTERTAINING ONCE. JUST A GLIMPSE.
His name sounds funny, though
Ebiraya..?
ARGH... EBI. IT'S "EBIRAYA"!
DO YOU KNOW HIM?
*T/N EBI MEANS A PRAWN

EVEN IF THE CLIENT TURNS OUT TO BE A VILLAIN IT'S OUR PRINCIPLE TO DO THE JOB ONCE WE TAKE OVER...
NEVER-THELESS IF A CLIENT VIOLATES THE LAW THE CONTRACT WILL BECOME INVALID—
NIJIHARA-SAN IN THIS CASE,
DESPITE BEING INNOCENT KIMOTO-SAN WAS BLAMED BECAUSE HE USED TO MAKE MISTAKES IN HIS WORK FREQUENTLY
I THINK THE KEY TO THE ANSWER ALSO LIES WITHIN HIM
KIMOTO SAN IS HE REALLY INNOCENT?
YEAH... HE SEEMS TO BE AN ABSENT MINDED FELLOW...
I HEARD HE HAD SHUT HIMSELF UP IN HIS HOUSE SINCE HE WAS FIRED
BUT HE IS MISSING NOW
Tomonori Kimoto (27)
EXIT
VROOM—
I'M FREE THE WHOLE DAY! YOU CAN USE ME!
YEAH... COULD ONE OF YOU HELP ME OUT...
NIJIHARA-SAN, YOU'VE GOT ANOTHER CASE TODAY DON'T YOU?
THEN, I'LL TAKE CARE OF SEARCHING FOR KIMOTO-SAN

YEAH.
HE IS YORIKO-SAN'S FATHER, RIGHT?
—THAT ASIDE I CAN'T BELIEVE OUR CLIENT IS A CRIMINAL AFTER ALL...

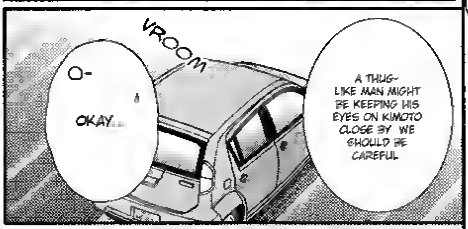
I MIGHT BE ABLE TO PICK SOMETHING UP IF I READ THEIR MINDS
NIJIHARA-SAN HAS VISITED THEM ALREADY ONLY HIS PARENTS LIVE THERE THOUGH
OKAY, KIMOTO'S PARENTS HOUSE IS IN T PREFECTURE! ROGER!


OH REALLY ?
HE SEEMS TO HAVE LESS INTEREST IN HIS HOUSE-HOLD
SO I THOUGHT HE DOTES ON HIS CHILD BUT IT WAS EXACTLY THE OPPOSITE
HE HAD MADE HER BECOME AN EMPLOYEE IN HIS OWN COMP-ANY AND THEN TOOK CARE OF HER MARRI-AGE TOO

MOREOVER, HE SEEMS TO BE FUELING HER WORRIES ..
"OR RATHER... IT'S MORE LIKE HE'S BEEN CAREFUL TO FULFILL HIS PARENTAL OBLIGATIONS ENOUGH TO DESERVE HER GRATITUDE IN RETURN"
IF YOU DON'T LIKE SHINOZAWA, JUST BREAK IT OFF
EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE NOT WORKING
WHEN WILL I HAVE A GRANDKID?

THANK YOU FOR COMING ALL THE WAY WORRYING ABOUT HIM...
I'M GLAD TO KNOW THAT HE HAS SUCH A GOOD FRIEND.
SHE'S BEING THREATENED
HER SON WAS TAKEN AWAY BY SOMEONE.
ALL RIGHT
LIES SHE KNOWS.
Oh dear
Tomonori...
MY SON'S FRIEND ...? OH MY...
Ki mo to
He has such a cute girl frien'...
I'M SORRY
WE DON'T KNOW TOMONORI'S WHEREABOUTS EITHER...
YOUR SON HE'S COMPLETELY INNOCENT!
KI KIMOTO-SAN
He's been clumsy always...
It can't be helped... Since he did something wrong
OH MY GOD!
I'LL KILL HIM
BUT...
201
Mino
EH ..?!
THAT WAS ALL MADE UP!
I'LL DEAL WITH THAT SO PLEASE TELL ME EVERYTHING YOU KNOW!
BUT I HEARD THAT HE CAUSED A GREAT LOSS THAT ALMOST DROVE THE COMPANY TO BANKRUPTCY...

Got it!
—CITY GENERAL HOSPITAL HE'S PROBABLY IN THE SURGICAL DEPARTMENT.
ROOM 201. I THINK HE'S BEEN HOSPITALIZED UNDER THE NAME OF "MINO"


VROOM
O-
OKAY...
A THUG-LIKE MAN MIGHT BE KEEPING HIS EYES ON KUMOTO CLOSE BY. WE SHOULD BE CAREFUL

BRRRRR
市立総合病院
City General Hospital

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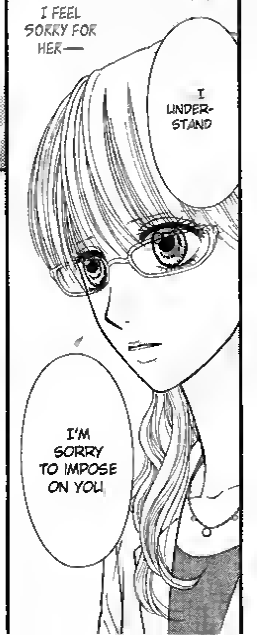
I... I CAN'T TELL YOU...
I'M SORRY
I WILL KILL HIM
SHE MUST HAVE BEEN THREATENED SEVERELY


I FEEL SORRY FOR HER—
I UNDER-STAND
I'M SORRY TO IMPOSE ON YOU.

201
Mino
Knock
Knock
SLIDE
I FEEL TWO LIFE ENERGIES ONE OF THEM IS SLEEP-ING
—OH MY GOD
ZZZ
tip toe
—KIMOTO-SAN!

MOREOVER, HE MUST HAVE BEEN WORRIED OVER LOSING HIS JOB
THAT HE BECAME A TOTAL WRECK LIKE THIS
THEY THREATENED HIM SO MUCH
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT
YOU HAVE JUST LOST IT TEMPORARILY
OF THE TIME WHEN HE WAS WORKING HARD
WAIT. HE'S HAVING A DREAM
EVERYTHING WILL BE ALL RIGHT
YOU ARE TOO GENTLE, SHURI SAN
AGAIN...
SHE'S PUTTING HERSELF INTO A STRANGER...
IF YOU HAVE THE HEART, I'M SURE YOU CAN GO BACK TO YOUR USUAL SELF—
GASP
WHAT IF THEY KEEP WEIGHING DOWN ON HER? SHE WILL WEAR OUT SOMEDAY
NO. IT'S BECAUSE SHE CAN SEE THAT...
GENTL

FRIENDS?!
IT'S OKAY. IT'S OKAY...
TWITCH
UGH?
HM
Ah
EXCUSE ME! BUT WE ARE KIMOTO-KUN'S FRIENDS!
WHO THE HELL ARE YOU GUYS?!
RATTLE
GET THE HELL OUT OF HERE!
Who are
WHO TOLD YOU THAT YOU CAN COME IN?!
His friends
These guys
Not sure
Rakes
Pulls out
A STUN GUN
Whoa just like in manga.
ZZZZZZT

What
—YOU MUST BE MINO-SAN,
FROM EISYU GROUP.
Grap
I can't get into trouble now
WUH...?!
TWIST
OUCH!
I can't make it on time
Today is—
THE COMPANY'S MONEY AREN'T YOUR
UHHUH. YOU'RE FREQUENTLY MISUSING
Together...
Wha-
WHAT... WHAT ARE YOU...
WITH THAT MONEY
EVERY SINGLE NIGHT...
YOU ARE...
IMMERSING YOURSELF IN A CERTAIN PECULIAR INTEREST...
Yuk. (Reclining sick.)
I CAN SEE... EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOUR CORRUPTIONS
WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF I REPORT TO YOUR SUPERIORS?
WHICH ONE DO YOU PREFER, THE JAPANESE SEA OR THE PACIFIC OCEAN?
....?!
SHE CERTAINLY KNOWS HOW TO GET WHAT SHE WANTS DONE!
I ALMOST FORGOT THAT SHE'S OUR BOSS' NIECE

office S
AND NOW HE'S BEING KEPT AT T PREFECTURAL POLICE DEPARTMENT.
MINO WAS REPORTED TO THE POLICE FOR VIOLATION OF LAW.
KIMOTO-SAN TRANSFERRED TO THE POLICE HOSPITAL RIGHT AWAY.
WE HAD—
SAIGA SEEMS TO BE MANIPULATING EBIRAYA TO HIS OWN ADVANTAGE
IT'S THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SAIGA, WHO HIRED MINO...BUT EBIRAYA IS AN ACCOMPLICE
OH WELL... NOW WE CAN AT LEAST FINISH THIS JOB.
YEAH.
WHY WAS HE...SUCH A DUMBASS...?
SO SAIGA PUT THE FLAME ON KIMOTO
AND HE HIRED A THUG TO KEEP HIM QUIET WITH VIOLENCE YOU MEAN TO SAY?
YES
Don't just play with the dog.
YOUTA, GIVE ME A HAND!
K-IY!
Shuntin is so dependable.♥
She wasn't good with a married woman though (LOL)
YES. I'LL BE FINE.
Woof!
WILL YOU BE ABLE TO HANDLE THEM BY YOURSELF? SINCE THE BOSS IS OUT AT THE MOMENT
I'LL ARRANGE THE REPORTS AND THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO SEND A NOTICE OF CONTRACT DEFAULT TO SAIGA-SAN

ON THIS REPORT,
I HAVE LISTED THE PRESIDENT'S BEHAVIOR & CHANGES THAT I MENTIONED EARLIER.
KIMOTO..,?!
H L Planning Inc
Cafe corn
THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING !!
ARE YOU SURE ?!
UNFORTUNATELY, YES.

WE... CANNOT TELL YOU THE DETAILS, BUT WE'LL DECLINE THE REQUEST FROM SAIGA
UM... MY FATHER IN L— THE EXECUTIVE MANAGER
I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY
WOULD HE WANT TO SET ME UP AS A CULPRIT...
Eh!
HOLD ON! HOLD ON!
WE'LL BE ASKING THE POLICE TO COLLECT THE MATERIAL EVIDENCE—
THAT IS—
BECAUSE YOU NEVER PARTICIPATE IN HIS PRO-JECTS OR HIS MEET-INGS.
Such
A thing?
EHH...?
AND IT SEEMS HE WAS NOT HAPPY ABOUT THAT.
THAT'S... BE-CAUSE...
He...
Didn't like that
HE IS MY FATHER-IN-LAW, SO...
I THOUGHT I WOULDN'T NEED TO SUCK U— TO HIM...
Oh no
SO THAT'S HOW IT WAS...
Over such a small matter...
Father in law...
—WE'LL TAKE OUR LEAVE THEN
AH... HARADA-SAN!

DO YOU REALLY NEED TO KNOW THAT?
UM...
DO YOU MIND
IF I ASK YOUR REAL NAME ?
.....
I'M ASHAMED BUT I COULD NOT FIND THAT OUT
.....
We had been together
—I SUPPOSE NOT
for the last few months
So
.....
EXCUSE ME
I wonder
if I am still
naive

HOW MANY HOURS
THAT OLD GEEZER
SAIGA...
I'M GONNA BUST HIM
I WILL
ARGH... I KNOW YOUR FEELINGS.
BUT SHINOZAWA IS GOING TO SEE SAIGA.
I SHOULD JUST BEAT HIM TO PULP.
DID I WASTE FOR THAT SCUM
Clench
CAN'T PUT UP ANYMORE

ACK, WAIT! HEY!
GO Back First!
SO I GOTTA GO CHECK ON THEM!

EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE HAS COME OUT IN THE OPEN NOW
I HAD BEEN SECRETLY INVESTIGATING YOU UNDER THE ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT
!!

WAIT UP RIGHT THERE.
WHAT? LET'S GET OUT OF HERE.
I CAN'T STAY HERE ANY LONGER! OTHERWISE...

Oh?
Isn't that Harada-san?
SHIT
Eh, I think not
Something's off
Hm?
THAT BASTARD—

YOU USED TO BE MY IMMEDIATE SENIOR AND TOOK GOOD CARE OF ME DURING MY TRAINING PERIOD
I TOOK YOU UNDER MY WING AND THIS IS HOW YOU REPAY ME...?!
WHA...
YOU...!
YOU COULD BE RIGHT
THAT MADE ME... HAPPY BUT...
YOU DOTED ON ME OUTSIDE THE WORK-PLACE, TOO
Drink it!
You know what my daughter is...
?!
IF YOU...
I...
AM NOT THAT OBSESSED WITH MY LIFE.

BUT YOU PICKED THE WRONG CHOICE.
I WOULD HAVE FOLLOWED YOU OBEDIENTLY...
HAD YOU ASKED ME TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR BLUNDERS AND DIE,
My real father...
Bashed me.
Threw me away.
And one day
Disappeared
SOME-HOW...
I FELT THAT I WAS FINALLY HAPPY...
YOU... CAN'T BE...
YOU HARDLY EVER JOIN IN MY PROJ-ECTS...
AND NOW YOU SAY YOU ARE WILLING TO OBEY ME...?
I... WAS HAPPY WHEN YOU TOLD ME THAT YOU WOULD ENTRUST YOUR DAUGHTER TO ME.
MORE THAN WHEN THE PRESIDENT PERSONALLY APPOINTED ME AS A SCOUTER.
EVEN
We will be
family soon

—IF THAT'S THE CASE...
DIE FOR ME.
SHOULDER MY FAULTS
.....
WHAT ABOUT A WILL?
NO NEED I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT.
RIGHT NOW
THAT FUCKING OLD-FART, HOW DESPICABLE...
WHAT A SHIT. I EVEN ADMIRED HIM.
—EH...
RATTLE

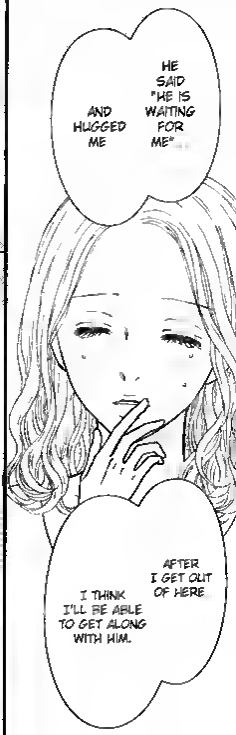
Dad!!
SHINOZAWA-SAN
ARE YOU SERIOUS—?
WAIT
RATTLE
How dare you
YORIKO-SAN!
what
I'll Never forgive you
A BUG?!
AND HEARD EVERYTHING!!
Unforgivable
YORIKO-SAN!!
SHE'S EMBEDDED IT ON HIS TIE—
Die

STAB
YO...
YANK
KNIFE
TWISTED
?!
YO...
RI...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING...?
YORI KO...?
HUFF
HUFF
...A AAGG GGG HHH
Clatter
...GAHK...
I CAN'T FORGIVE HIM!
THIS IS TOO MUCH!
BUT!
BUT
BU...
HE IS STILL YOUR FATHER, RIGHT? YOUR...
I WOULDN'T FORGIVE HIM EVEN IF HE'S MY FATHER.
.....
HOW COULD HE..
DO THIS TO MY AMANE-SAN?! AH
...UGH...
YOU TO DIE!!
HE TOLD, YOU TO DIE TO DIE YOU
AAAAAHHHHH

YOU ARE SUCH A...
FOOL...
Aaggh——
——YORIKO-SAN WAS TAKEN TO THE POLICE WITHOUT RESISTANCE
WHY DON'T YOU WAIT JUST A LITTLE BIT LONGER?
A-AMBULANCE!!
Right now!
HIT
YOU SON OF A BITCH!
——THEY SAID SAIKA WAS SAVED
FINALLY...
HE LOOKED AT ME STRAIGHT IN THE EYE...
I MET WITH HER JUST ONCE AFTER THAT
SHE LOOKED HAPPY DESPITE THE FACT THAT SHE'S BEEN IMPRISONED...

SHE HAS LOST HER MIND
OR IS THIS FUKE LOVE
I'LL BE ROOTING FOR YOU
IT'S BEYOND ME,
WHO HAS NO SKILL TO LOVE
TAMAKO-SAN
THANK YOU
SEEMS YORIKO-SAN'S RESENTMENT TOWARDS HER FATHER HAS BEEN BUILDING UP FOR SOME TIME
Investigation Report
I COULDN'T FIGURE OUT SAIGA'S EVIL INTENTIONS AT THE STAGE OF RECEIVING HIS REQUEST...
ANYWAY, THIS TIME... I'M THE ONE TO BLAME
Investigation Report

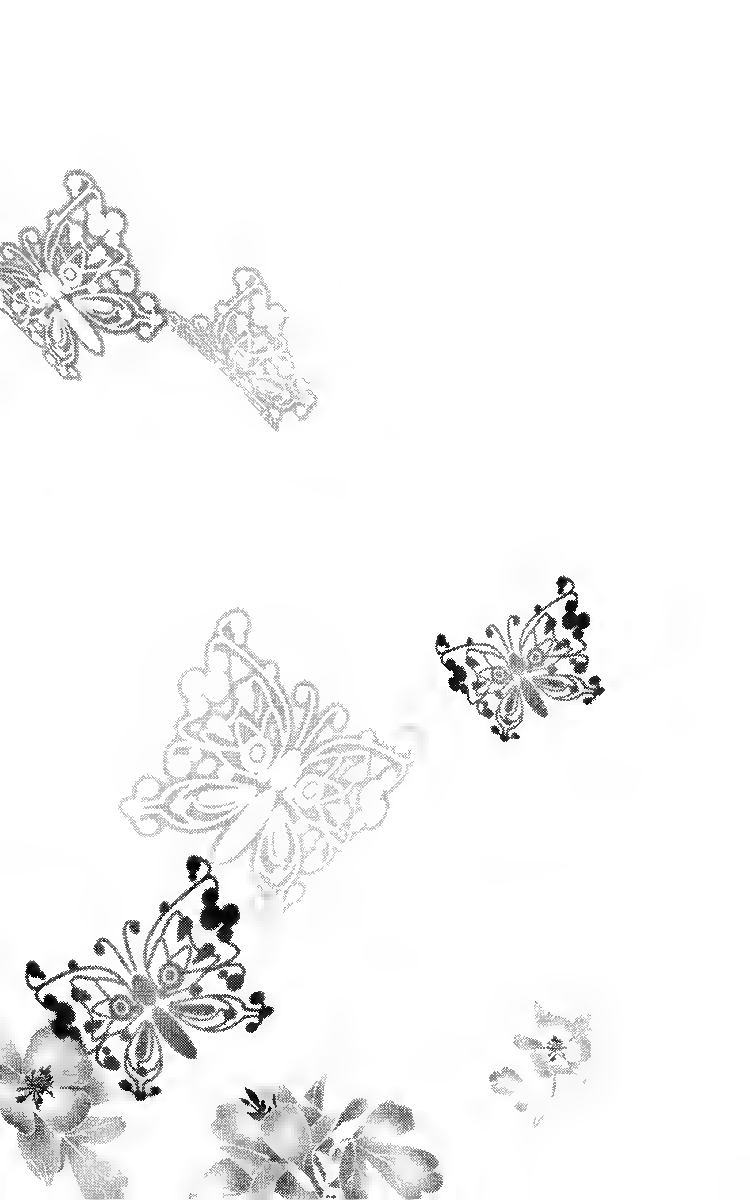


A LOVE THAT WAS ACQUIRED—

AFTER STABBING HER PARENT

BUT OBSTRUCTING A RESCUE INTENTIONALLY ISN'T AN ADULT MAN'S BEHAVIOR. DEDUCT 50 POINTS
You are still immature.
YOU SNITCHED ON ME HUH?
THANK YOU. I'LL TAKE IT. IF YOU SAY SO YOU ARE AN EXPERIENCED PERSON AFTER ALL
NO THERE IS NO NEED FOR YOU TO FEEL GUILTY
AS FOR ME, I ALSO LEARNT A LOT FROM THIS CASE.
—AT THAT TIME,
HE WAS REALLY GOING TO FLY...!
"I'M NOT OBSESSED WITH MY LIFE".
A PERSON WHO COULD CLOSE HIS MIND AND SAY SUCH A SORROWFUL THING...
I WONDER
IF SO,
IF RIKI IS THE SAME...
I
CAN YOU—
SPARE ME SOME TIME?

YEAH... BUT FOR WHAT?
BEEP BEEEP
IT'S JUST BECAUSE... I WANTED TO TAKE MY TIME TO TALK WITH YOU
...ABOUT WHAT?
MANY THINGS...
AND FOR...
TRULY SEPARATING MYSELF FROM RIKI
I MADE UP MY MIND,
TO FACE HIM HEAD ON—
FOR THE FUTURE WITH YOTA
That was fantastic
Shun'ichi dressed in a Yukata and a secretary outfit
I can eat 20 bowls of rice just recalling them!



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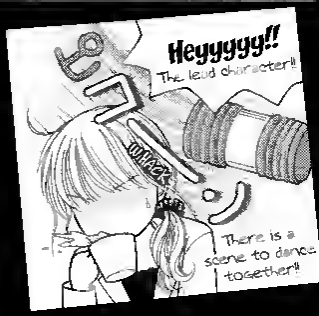
ANOTHER SMALL STORM IS COMING UP ——

THEY ARE COMING —!

WHAT'S THEIR PURPOSE—?!

HOW WILL THE AUTHOR MAKE A DISTINCTION OF THEM...?

DON'T EXPECT TOO MUCH!



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読めて
しまう——

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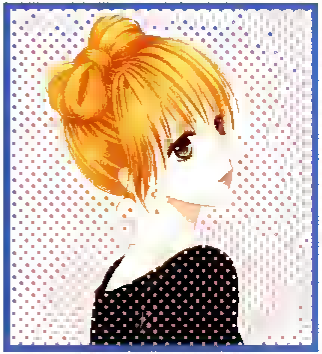

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